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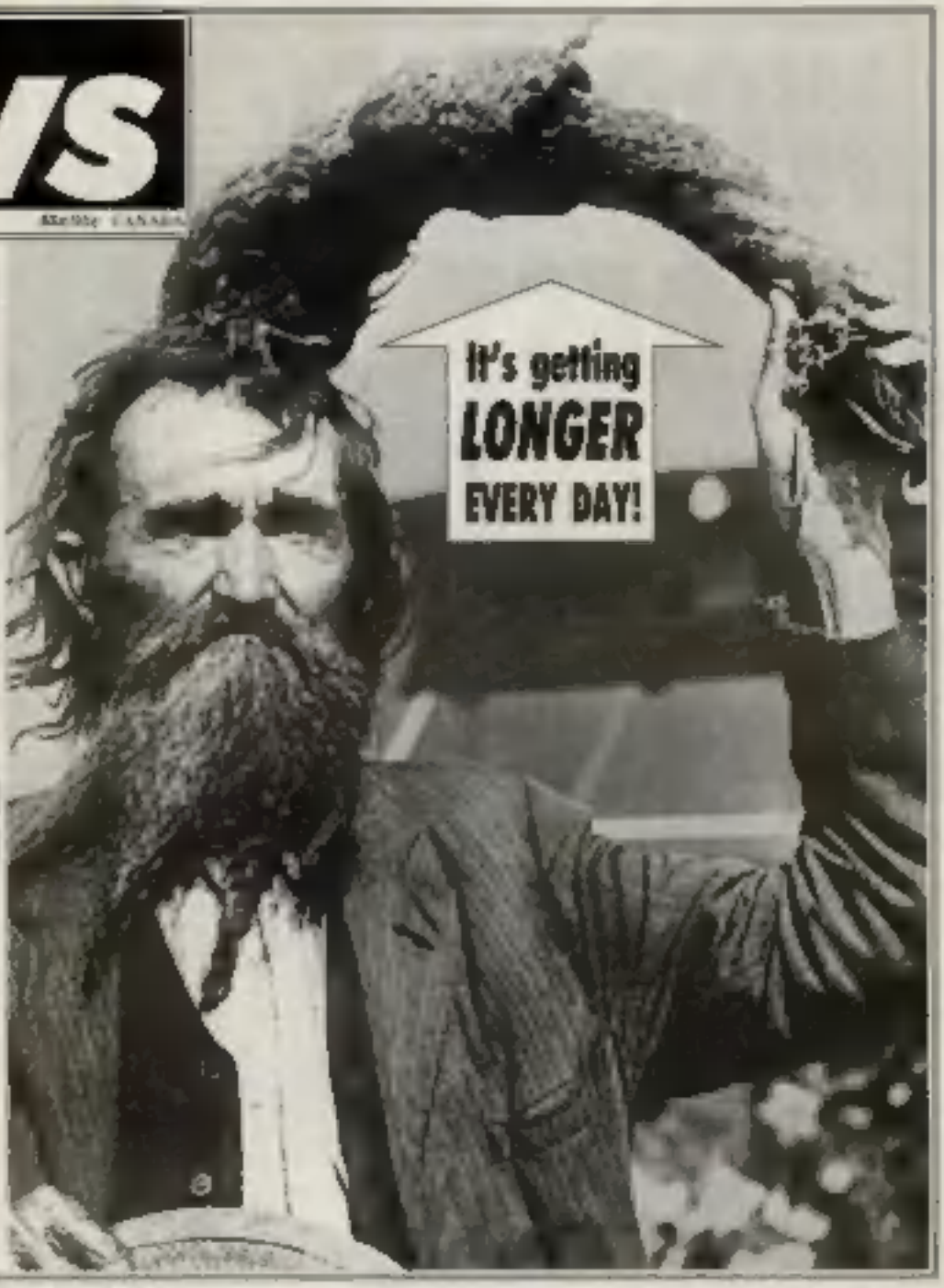

BAFFLING MYSTERY

Mount Rushmore Presidents crying human tears

WORLD'S OLDEST HUMAN DIES AT 150!

LAST PHOTO taken of Beulah Trent appeared in the April 16, 1991, edition of the Weekly World News during her 149th birthday celebration.

Arkansas woman was alive — when LINCOLN was shot!

By KRISTIN MARIS
Special Correspondent

The world's oldest person, whose life stretched from the days of Abraham Lincoln to America's lunar space landings, has died at the incredible age of 150!

Beulah Trent, born nearly 20 years before the start of the Civil War — on March 3, 1842, in Fayetteville, Ark. — outlived her husband, six children, her grandchildren and all but one great-great-grandchild before dying peacefully in her sleep at an Ozark mountain retreat last week.

So fascinating were her stories of bygone years that historians plan to base a book on the ancient woman's recollections. Despite her record-setting longevity she probably won't get credit, though, because of a lack of official government birth records back then.

In an interview with the Weekly World News last year, the nearly toothless oldster said she didn't care about gaining worldwide notoriety for her long life.

"I know how old I am and my memories of my early years are quite clear."

All the wars she lived through — WWI, WWII, the wars in Korea and Vietnam — were tragic, she recalled, but the most horrifying to her was the Civil War. "I can still smell the rottenness of young boys dying in the woods behind our cabin. And I still wake up at night hearing the wailing of slaves being whipped by meaner than mean plantation bosses. Those were hurtful times."

In 1857, Beulah married a young neighbor, Donald Trent, and gave birth to twins a year later. Hubby Donald joined Confederate troops in the battlefield in late 1861, leaving his wife to eek out a living on their dirt poor farm.

"It was rough during the war and when Donald came home we was real poor," recalled the feathery skinned grandma.

"A neighbor told us Lincoln was shot and then we just went on about our business. We had all we could do just to feed ourselves."

Beulah's own grandsons were killed in WWI and memories of the Great Depression were as deeply etched in her mind as the wrinkles that covered her body. Her first recollection of radio was hearing of the bombing of Pearl Harbor, and in a quivering, 149-year-old voice, she could still sing every word of Elvis Presley's "*You Ain't Nothing but a Hound Dog*" which she heard watching television for the first time.

The grand old lady claimed moonshine and pipe smoking helped her live to a ripe old age but other than that she had no secret formula for her long life.

"I'm ready to go when the good Lord wants me to go," she said a year ago. "I got a husband, my children, my grandchildren and most of my great grandchildren waiting in Paradise for me. I'm looking forward to seeing them again. It's been a long, long time."

Bus rider complained to the wrong man!

Bus passenger Carl Godfrey expected an apology when a man stepped on his foot — but got a bullet in the chest instead!

When Godfrey, 19, complained, the man replied, "I do what I please." Then he pulled out a small caliber pistol and calmly shot Godfrey in the chest. The gunman got off at the next bus stop and disappeared. Godfrey was taken to a hospital in Houston, Texas.

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$MILLION BOOBY PRIZE!

Busty smuggler stashes drugs in breast implants

By JACK ALEXANDER
Staff writer

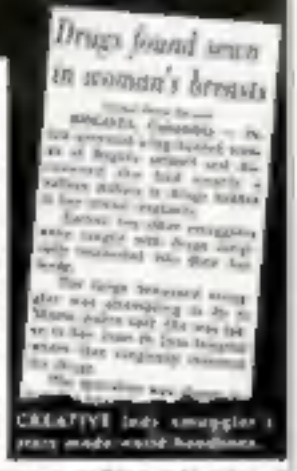
A belle with over-size boobs got busted after suspicious cops discovered her breast implants were worth more than a half-million dollars — in heroin.

Then thousands watched on national television as doctors surgically removed eight one-pound bags of heroin worth $550,000 that had been implanted in the woman's breasts.

The busty drug smuggler caught the eye of alert cops at the airport in Bogota, Colombia, because of her "disproportionately large" breasts.

She was in the process of boarding a plane for Miami when she was arrested. The top heavy smuggler was taken to Bogota's San Juan de Dios hospital where graphic parts of the surgery were shown on national television.

"We noticed her immediately because of her huge breasts. They were way out of line with the rest of her small, thin body," said a narcotics agent. "We had no idea she was a walking gold mine of heroin."


Drugs found in woman's breasts

CREATIVE lady smuggler's story made weird headlines.

Veteran narcotics cops, wise to most of their tricks, are forcing drug smugglers to be more creative in their hiding places for their stash.

Cops recently busted several smugglers with their cocaine surgically implanted in their buttocks.

Calendar girl

Gorgeous calendar gal Aja Kimura has a lot more going for her than just a pretty face and a dynamite shape. She is also a talented vocalist who has done several hit videos.

Absent-minded crook forgets gun

A dimwit bandit had to postpone his stickup at a fast-food restaurant — because he forgot his holdup note and his gun!

Cops said the absent-minded crook walked up to an eatery's drive-through window in Ulm, Germany, and after a long pause told an employee:

"Forgot something. Be right back."

Five minutes later, the dimwit desperado returned, handed the lady a note demanding money, stuck a gun

Rat farmers are cleaning up in China

Chinese experts are suggesting a bizarre new source of revenue for their country's farmers: Rats!

They're urging rural peasants to grow the nasty critters for their coats, their meat and even to make wine.

"Rat meat is a high-protein, low-fat food, with calcium, iron and other trace elements," says *Farmer's Daily*, an official state newspaper.

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rat fur, rat skin and rat tails can all be used. Rat whiskers can even make high quality hair and writing brushes."

Already markets for rats are opening up, with thousands of hairless rodent corpses being sold to restaurants.

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SERENA SABAK'S LUCKY

You can shape your destiny and start the new year off with a bang with our top psychic's lucky number guide for 1983!

After months of painstaking research and study, Serena Sabak has assigned numerical values to the most powerful astrological influences that will work for you through the new year.

These numbers indicate the best dates of each month for you to achieve your goals in the areas of romance, money, home and work.

Big raises, new lovers, better family relations or a sensational lottery win are just a few of the ways you can benefit from Serena's magic lucky numbers. Find yours under your sun sign below.

ARIES

Romance: 7, 8, 17, 18. Tend to affairs of the heart on these dates. Spend time with your sweetheart on the 6th of each month.

Money: 4, 11, 17, 19, 24. Tend to finances on these dates. The numbers are sure winners when you play the lottery or games of chance.

Home: 6, 11, 12, 18, 22. Invite people into your home on these dates. Make major purchases on the 11th and 22nd of any month this year.

Work: 2, 12, 16, 21. Seek raises or promotions on these dates. Improve relations with co-workers or look for new jobs on the 16th and 21st.

TAURUS

Romance: 4, 7, 12, 18, 22. Look for a new sweetheart or improve relations with your mate on these dates. Be especially mindful of any romantic situation in which your lucky numbers crop up.

Money: 8, 12, 14, 17, 18. Kick off moneymaking projects on these dates. These are your lucky lottery numbers, too.

Home: 1, 5, 15, 16, 20. Improve family relations on these dates. The 5th, 16th and 20th of the month are ideal times to invite people into your home.

Work: 7, 9, 12, 16, 27. Seek promotions and added respect on these dates. If it's a raise you want, ask the boss to boost your hourly wage to one of your lucky numbers, such as $13 an hour.

GEMINI

Romance: 4, 7, 8, 13, 20. Spend time alone with your mate or look for a new sweetheart on these dates. Pay close attention to any romantic activity that is associated with your lucky numbers.

Money: 2, 5, 6, 22, 23, 28. Play the lottery or numbers games with these digits. Boost your chances of winning cosmos by covering on these dates.

Home: 1, 3, 13, 30. Plan family get-together on these dates.

Work: 6, 13, 21, 22, 28. Take calculated risks to improve your on-the-job standing on these dates. Ask for a raise or added responsibilities on the 13th of the month.

CANCER

Romance: 17, 18, 19, 20. Vent any anger you have toward your sweetheart on these dates. These are also the days to pursue any love interests.

Money: 5, 11, 17, 23, 27. Play these numbers in lottery or numbers games. Enter contests on these dates. Sign contracts on the 11th or 19th of the month.

Home: 3, 6, 9, 11. Home additions or improvements will go easier if you start them on these dates.

Work: 1, 2, 12, 29. Bosses or supervisors will be open to your ideas and requests on these dates.

LEO

Romance: 3, 7, 27, 28. The opposite sex will find you most desirable on these dates. Act accordingly — and don't be bashful.

Money: 4, 5, 7, 9, 23, 29. These numbers will bear fruit in any game of chance. Make major purchases or investments on these dates.

Home: 17, 22, 30. Homelife and family relations can really be improved or enhanced on these dates. Take advantage of the opportunity.

Work: 1, 6, 12, 17. Seek the credit and money you deserve on these dates. The 12th and 17th would be good if you want to change or find a job.

VIRGO

Romance: 4, 6, 12, 13, 28. Tend to any affairs of the heart on these dates. Be especially mindful of situations in which your lucky numbers crop up.

Money: 9, 31, 17, 19, 30. Play these numbers in games of chance. Boost your odds of winning cosmos by entering on the 9th and 19th of each month.

Home: 6, 16, 19, 28. Improve family relations on these dates. Inviting friends or co-workers into your home on the 16th, 19th or 28th would be most beneficial.

Work: 2, 5, 17, 30. Seek added responsibilities and the extra money that goes with them on these dates.

LIBRA

Romance: 2, 6, 9, 22, 31. Take romantic risks on these dates. The 9th, 22nd and 31st are especially good dates to dump an old flame.

Money: 8, 12, 14, 17, 20. Play these numbers in lotteries. Sign contracts, enter contests or gamble on these dates.

Home: 1, 11, 22, 31. Invite people into your home on these dates. Make all making major purchases until the 1st or 31st if you can.

Work: 10, 15, 20, 30. Discuss your goals with bosses or supervisors on these dates.

SCORPIO

Romance: 6, 7, 14, 19, 25. Marry on one of these dates to ensure yourself many years of happiness. Patching up differences with mates or sweethearts will be a snap on the 6th.

Money: 1, 7, 17, 18, 19, 20. Play these numbers in any game of chance. Enter contests or start moneymaking projects on the 1st, 7th and 19th.

Home: 3, 6, 8, 13. Straighten out cherished family members on these dates. Invite friends into your home on the 6th and 8th. Start improvement projects on the 13th.

Work: 5, 15, 21, 30. Toot your own horn on these dates. Raises, promotions and schedule changes should be addressed on the 15th, 21st or 30th.

SAGITTARIUS

Romance: 2, 9, 14, 18. Tend to any affairs of the heart on these dates. Look for new love interests on the 2nd, 14th and 18th.

Money: 1, 3, 8, 17, 19, 25, 28, 30. Play these numbers in games of chance, especially lotteries. Make major purchases on the 19th, 28th or 30th.

Home: 10, 18, 29, 31. Tackle big chores on these dates. Spend quality time with family members on the 18th.

Work: 3, 7, 22, 24, 27. Seek better relations with co-workers on these dates. Ask for raises, promotions and schedule changes on the 22nd, 24th and 27th.

CAPRICORN

Romance: 18, 21, 29, 30, 31. Draw secrets out of your mate or sweetheart on these dates. You'll be the most attractive to the opposite sex on the 18th and 31st.

Money: 9, 11, 13, 17, 23, 24, 28. Play these numbers in any game of chance. Enter contests and sweepstakes on the 9th, 13th and 24th. Major purchases are best made on the 9th.

Home: 4, 6, 18, 24. Family get-togethers will be most beneficial on these dates. Complicated repairs or chores will go smoothly on the 6th and 24th.

Work: 7, 11, 14, 30. Co-workers will be especially cooperative on these dates. Extra effort on the

NUMBERS FOR 1993!

Your guide to love, success & happiness

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11th, 14th and 30th will pay dividends.

AQUARIUS

Romance: 2, 8, 10, 15, 18. You'll be most attractive to the opposite sex on these dates. Spend time alone with your mate or sweetheart on the 10th and 18th.

Money: 4, 7, 9, 23, 25, 28, 34. Play games of chance with these numbers. Enter contests on the 4th, 7th and 23rd. Sign contracts on the 9th and 25th.

Home: 5, 6, 12, 16, 28. Entertain or spend quality time with family members on these dates. Shop for household goods, including furniture and appliances on the 5th, 16th and 28th.

Work: 3, 4, 18, 22, 30. Strive to improve relations with co-workers and higher-ups on these dates. Seek raises or promotions on the 18th.

PISCES

Romance: 10, 17, 19, 22, 26. Tend to affairs of the heart on these dates. Spend time alone with your sweetheart on the 19th, 22nd and 26th.

Money: 2, 5, 6, 17, 18, 20, 31. Enter contests, sign contracts and make major purchases on these dates. Play the numbers in any game of chance.

Home: 4, 8, 9, 13, 22. Speak frankly from the heart with family members on these dates. Tackle big chores and projects on the 13th and 22nd.

Work: 1, 3, 18, 19, 30. Demand the credit and respect you deserve on these dates. Seek promotions and raises on the 19th. Butter up the boss on the 30th.

STING VICTIM Saleh al-Mahhlafi

DOCS PLUCK KILLER SCORPION FROM THIS MAN'S EAR!

By JOE BERGER
Staff writer

Anguished salesman Saleh al-Mahhlafi had a god-awful earache and couldn't figure out why till doctors took a look — and found a deadly scorpion hiding in his ear!

Then, to make matters worse, docs got the creepy critter so ticked off he stung Saleh in the ear canal and the terrified father of four had to be shot full of anti-toxin to save his life.

"What a nightmare that was!" the devastated dental supplies salesman later told reporters.

"Nothing ever hurt me that bad or scared me that much. I really thought I was going to be remembered as the guy who died because he got a big bug in his ear."

Unsuspecting Saleh's ordeal unfolded as he attended a sales convention in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, hundreds of miles from his home in Unayzah.

"They put us in this hotel and it wasn't the best," the shook-up businessman said with a shudder. "There were bugs around and I didn't like it — but I didn't think any of those bugs could kill me. And I didn't think they'd be crawling in my ears while I slept."

Hapless Saleh, 34, spent the night in his flooding room and woke up with a throbbing earache.

"It hurt me all day long and by the next night I couldn't stand it anymore," said the horrified family man. "I went to the hospital. The doctor pulled around in my ear — and when he saw that scorpion, he almost fainted. Most scorpions can't kill you, but this kind was deadly and that doctor knew it."

The dumbfounded doc was so skittish he called in a colleague, and the two of them tried to pluck the poisonous bug from Saleh's ear.

"They were playing around in there and all of a sudden that thing stung me — and it hurt like somebody had set a bonfire in my ear," still-trembling Saleh recalled. "I let out a scream that everyone heard.

"Then they had to shoot me full of stuff just to keep me alive, and that made me feel even worse.

"But I tell you, I've learned my lesson. From now on when I travel, I go first class or I don't go at all. Economy class is just too darn dangerous."

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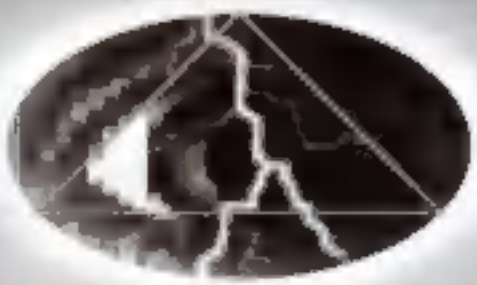

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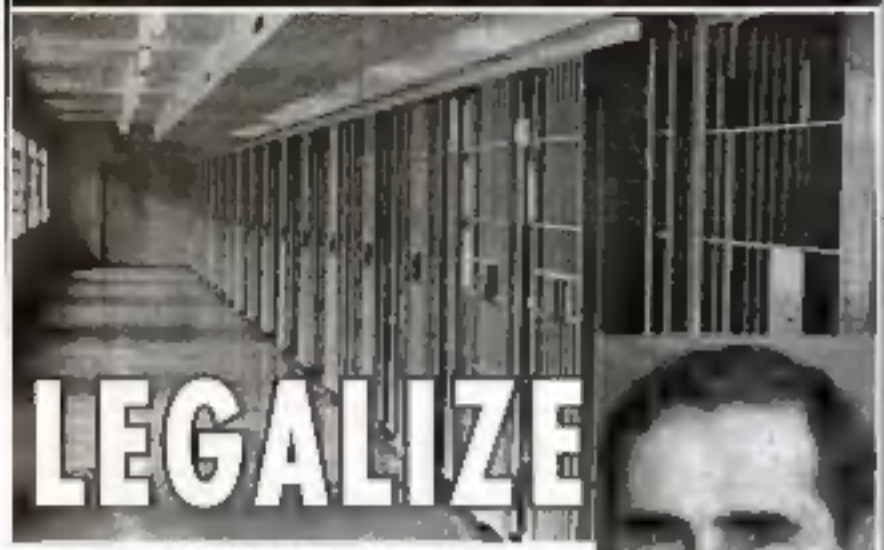
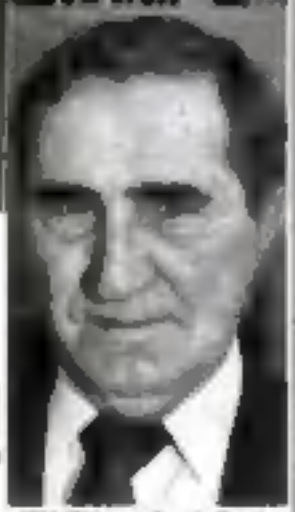


LEGALIZE MURDER says nutty Texan!



KILL 'EM, says Ronnie Kranta, whose idea is gaining support.

By CARL STACK / Correspondent

Millionaire Ronnie Kranta has launched a dramatic crusade to ease overcrowding in America's prisons, get bums off our streets and stop crime in its tracks — by legalizing murder!

The 65-year-old Texan says citizens would be much better off if the government gave people permission to kill anybody, anytime, anywhere — without fear of arrest.

"If you can think of a better way to stabilize our population, get bums and criminals off our streets and clear out our jails I'd like to hear about it," the retired businessman said from his home west of Dallas. "After all, the police can't do it all," he added.

"If we want to keep this great country of ours from going to hell in a handbasket, the government has got to give decent citizens the right to take the law into their own hands.

"And I'm not talking about people making citizens' arrests, either. I'm talking about the legalization of murder."

Kranta's ideas might sound drastic but he claims to have substantial and growing grassroots support. On a speaking tour of 14 major cities earlier this year, some 1,500 people shelled out $25 each to join his organization, Citizens for the Legalization of Murder.

Kranta is also lobbying lawmakers on both state and federal levels and he says that several dozen legislators have expressed interest in his proposal.

That's not to say that everyone is keen on the idea — because they aren't. Critics say that the legalization of murder would destroy American society as we know it.

Kranta counters: "Innocent people would die if everyone had a license to kill but that would be a small price to pay for getting rid of the scum and trash who are [illegible] us down to the gutter.

"Once the parasites and criminals are eliminated from our society, decent people can focus all their attention on making themselves happy — and making America great again."

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

☐ Yes. I agree with Ronnie Kranta. We should be allowed to get rid of criminals and bums once and for all.

☐ No. We can't go around killing bums and crooks. We just have to learn to stay out of their way.

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FLYING CHAMPAGNE CORK KILLS BRIDE!

By JOE BERGER
Staff writer

Blushing bride Sabrina Dousson and her jubilant groom Serge were whooping it up at their wedding reception when tipsy Serge popped open a bottle of bubbly — and the flying champagne cork struck Sabrina dead!

"God, it happened so fast. The thing just flew out of there and hit her in the head and she went down like she'd been shot," the horrified hubby later told reporters.

"It still seems so unreal. We'd only been married three hours and we were so excited, so happy. Then the next thing I knew, the woman I love is lying there dead and it's all my fault."

A medical examiner said the cork struck celebrating Sabrina in the left temple, causing a brain hemorrhage that killed the blue-eyed bride almost instantly.

"It was just one of those freak accidents that happen sometimes, a billion-to-one shot at least," said dumbfounded Dr. Gilbert Chastaine. "But it should be a warning to us all that a champagne cork may have a lot of pressure behind it — and can be just as deadly as a bullet if we're not careful."

Blushing Sabrina, 26, was struck down in front of hundreds of shell-shocked guests who'd gathered to watch the shapely secretary tie the knot with her stockbroker beau in Lyons, France.

"It had been a gorgeous ceremony and there was champagne all over the place," recalled Serge's heartsick sister Daniella. "They'd been going together for so many years and they were so in love, everybody was delighted to see them finally getting married.

"They had the reception at one of the best hotels in town and boy, the champagne was flowing like water. People were dancing and whooping it up and getting drunker by the minute. The party was just becoming a real blowout."

But the festivities turned fatal halfway through the evening when love-struck Serge, 30, decided to pop open a bottle of bubbly to toast his beaming bride.

"All of a sudden everyone started clamoring for a toast and when Serge looked around, he couldn't find an open bottle for some reason," devastated Daniella recalled.

"So he grabbed up one and started to open it — and all at once, the cork shot out of there like a rocket. Poor Sabrina was square on the side of the head. I mean, a hit her hard and she went down with a thud. It was so weird, people started laughing because they thought it was a joke — that hard as it was to believe. Her eyes rolled back in her head and suddenly everybody knew this was no joke — that hard as it was to

SABRINA and Serge, in photo taken three days before their wedding tragedy.

This stunning European model knows it's a little chilly for bikinis. But the lovely lady is braving Milan, Italy's frosty weather to give us a peek at new swimwear creations.

MAN SUPERGLUES HIS BUTT SHUT!

'I grabbed the wrong tube,' admits red-faced bungler

By JACK ALEXANDER
Staff writer

Bungling hubby John Elner made a painful blunder when he reached for a tube of soothing lotion to rub on his chapped bottom, but grabbed superglue instead — and sealed his butt shut.

"My wife didn't tell me she had been mending her shoe in the bathroom and left the superglue out," said the sore-butt John. "I wasn't wearing my glasses. I just grabbed the tube and slapped the stuff on.

"Suddenly my hands were sticky and my butt was sealed tight."

His wife, Carol, burst out laughing when her horrified hubby hopped into the bedroom with his trousers around his ankles.

"It was hilarious. He looked so pathetic standing there with that painful look in his eyes. He refused to go to the hospital and I can't say I blame him."

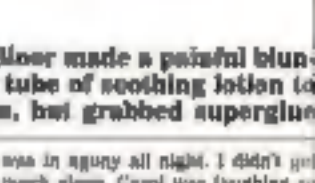
The hurting hubby spent the rest of the day and most of the night at his home in Silverdale, England, soaking his backside in warm water to melt the glue.

"Can you imagine walking into a hospital emergency room and telling perfect strangers your problem?

"Come to think of it, I'm not sure I could have walked in there."

Hours after the warm water unstuck his rear end, John, 41, said, "I was in agony all night. I didn't get much sleep. Carol was laughing so much the bed wouldn't stop shaking.

"It's still a pain in the butt to sit down."



WATER BUFFALO GORES OWNER!

Clyde Mullins reached out to touch the water buffalo he was about to sell when the beast went berserk — and gored him to death!

"The owner of the animal was using poor judgment to his way of thinking," said Marion, Mo. Police Chief Wayne Leathers. Mullins, 44, was showing the animal to potential buyers when the crazed buffalo attacked.

How to untangle teen talk

It's certainly no wonder parents have trouble communicating with their kids nowadays. Today's teenage slang may be part of the reason.

Here's a conversation overheard between two high school students in a school hitchtown.

"Whassup?"

"Nuthin'. Gotta get to the

"I hear you."

"Later."

Key words in this gibberish are Whassup (what's up), J.O. (jobt, manin' training).

some of the more popular slang words.

Bunny dip or dip — good-looking girl or woman.

Pop Dube — father.

Dibs — home, apartment, residence.

Dis or diss — to disrespect. This term is finding its way into mainstream speech.

quotations.

Juice — power, influence, respect.

Busted — physically unappealing.

Diesel — a man with a great body, especially a muscular build.

Frantin' — lying

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—WORLD'S HOTTEST GOSSIP—

POTTY-MOUTH DJ HOWARD STERN CHALLENGED TO BOXING MATCH!

...and YOU choose the place, says furious rival

Radio shock jock Howard Stern has been challenged to a duel "any place in the world" by a Filipino disc jockey incensed by racist remarks Stern supposedly made recently.

"I think they eat their young over there," Stern is alleged to have said. Then to make matters worse, Howie apparently uttered this howler: "The Philippines is a country where fathers sell their daughters for sex."

RADIO RAP-MOUTH Howard Stern

...are dirt. Everyone is too busy hugging."
New York Observer

★ ★ ★

Outspoken legend and master-mouth guy

ACTRESS? Whitney Houston is "Jeanne Crepuscule Francois," says reviewer.

★ ★ ★

Whitney Houston plays a superstar gangbanger in The Bodyguard with Kevin Costner and she'll be enough to deal with, thank you.

Whitney wants to wear a badge in her next movie. "I want to play a cop," says Whitney. "I like the idea of having a gun and hiding behind walls." But it ought to be a while before Whitney starts hiding behind walls. The reviewer said her acting in The Bodyguard is "Jeanne Crepuscule Francois."

★ ★ ★

International gossip columnist Taki [illegible] lashed out at all the bugging President Bill Clinton is doing. "No sooner did Mr Clinton go over the top, than we were treated to the spectacle of the new President of the United States hugging everybody — even Taki," Telegraph Diary. "It's not the job of the opposition to attack the personals of American politicians as much as those of the people there

Red-hot audition wins Kate Vernon MALCOLM X role!

Kate Vernon, the Falcon Crest star turned Spike Lee's X can sidewinder when she beat out five other actresses for the sleazy role of Malcolm X's lover. Vernon has been seeing Denzel Washington romancing Lee, that Kate had the right stuff.

"There were lots of fireworks between the people," says Kate. "The way Denzel Washington acts is fantastic. But my first time in bed [illegible] like in a steam roller. I didn't run. I rode" Kate. I just opened myself up to him and let him

CURVY Kate Vernon opened herself up to meet Denzel Washington's echoes demands

JOHN HANNON'S HOLLYWOOD

Jim Brown doesn't think much of Magic Johnson.

"He treated his wife badly," says Jim. "He tied up her and ran around. He exposed her to AIDS. He says he got it hetero sexually, but we're not even sure of that."

– DG

★ ★ ★

Lani Anderson's favorite mall of them all is The Gardens in pricey Palm Beach County, Fla.

And this is a woman who knows malls like the back of her gold card.

"Shopping is very therapeutic for me, even if I don't buy anything," says Lani.

"I can multishop anyone. You have to bring your tennis shoes if you want to shop with me."

Does Lani have any fashion faves?

"I just go for everything."

– Palm Beach Post

SHOPPING ADDICT: Lani Anderson

★ ★ ★

Poor Tiny Tim can't get no satisfaction.

"I can't sleep in bed with some who because of personal reasons," says Tiny, who's still a big fan of good close love. "Romance is a wonderful, beautiful thing that's spoiled by bad breath and body odors."

No matter the current love interest in the 45-year-old transvestite's life is a 26-year-old gal who won't give him the time of day.

"I have found my eternal love.

"Her name is Miss Stephanie. She doesn't like me, but that doesn't matter."

– Los Alamos (Texas) Reporter

★ ★ ★

Barber Robert Palmer feels his new music deeply emotionally.

The sharply dressed Palmer checked a young couple when he knocked on their door and asked how they liked his new album.

"I heard my song coming through your door and I thought, 'I'd say hello,' said Palmer to the astonished Stu James and Susan Morrison. "I suppose it was a bizarre thing to do, but I'm always interested to hear when people think of my music."

– London Sun

★ ★ ★

After a tragic miscarriage two years ago, the arrival of Cheers star Kirstie Alley's and hubby Parker Stevenson's adopted baby William knocked them both out. "It was a nightmare. I will never forget the first day of my life," recalls Kirstie.

"It was the beginning of our new family, a family we have talked of, dreamed of, for years. I looked down at the baby's face and my tears fell on his tiny cheeks.

"And I thought, 'He looks just like Park or.'"

– Globe

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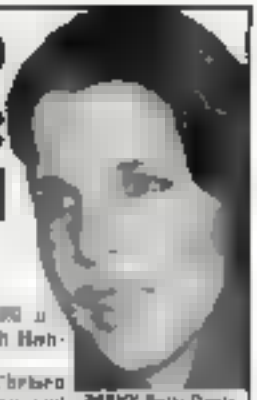
Tennis ace Björn Borg was a regular in the court but a poor dad in bed with his

Reagan's kid to Chelsea Clinton: HOW TO SURVIVE IN THE WHITE HOUSE!



PEEK: Patti Davis offers advice on upkeep raising

Former first daughter **Patti Davis** [illegible] a couch when she lived in the White House with Nancy and Ronald Reagan.

Now pals Patti is offering free advice to Chelsea Clinton on how to get on her father with her parents out the White House. Patti was 20 when she romped in the Rose Garden as we can look up her already [illegible] to attended Georgetown. But Chelsea's just a frisky 12-year-old with braces about to embarrass the first [illegible]

Here are Patti's helpful hints on White House hell raising:

● Whatever happens you always get your pass or [illegible]. No hard is kept in the upstairs kitchen, so un[illegible] you like snacks of marshmallow or salad dressing, keep your fridge full.

● [illegible] Secret Service agents to get rid of the Blue suits and dress [illegible] sunglasses. They are [illegible] dead giveaway.

● Don't look out all secret passageways until their the right one [illegible] both ampersands. If you can't find them, call me at [illegible]. They have the place wired.

● Get some music in the place and turn the [illegible].

● Don't get any attention by shouting obscene [illegible] about your father's policies. It will send you [illegible] your room. And see what you think. And don't be surprised if Mom and Dad send you to [illegible] school!

– New York Times

SHOULD Chelsea Clinton take Patti's advice?

SHOWBIZ QUIZ

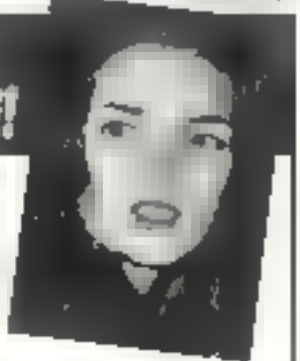
Super songs of the '60s!

The tunes that topped the Hit Parade 30 years ago came from all over the musical landscape. Country, big city falsetto, love songs, the debut of the Beatles, a duo with a music that sounded like a law firm, and the decade ended with the dawning of a new age.

Match the songs with the performers.

COLUMN A	COLUMN B
1. *I'm Sorry* (1960)	A. The Fifth Dimension
2. *Hit the Road Jack* (1961)	B. Don Gibson
3. *Big Girls Don't Cry* (1962)	C. The Four Tops
4. *Fingertips* (1963)	D. Simon and Garfunkel
5. *My Boy* (1964)	E. The Temptations
6. *Yesterday* (1965)	F. Mary Wells
7. *The Sounds of Silence* (1966)	G. Little Stevie Wonder
8. *The Letter* (1967)	H. The Four Seasons
9. *The Ballad of the Green Berets* (1968)	I. Ray Charles
10. *Aquarius* (1969)	J. Brenda Lee

DRACULA DIRECTOR NEARLY DROVE WINONA RYDER INSANE!



FRANCIS FORD COP-

Winona Ryder got only stars in *Bram Stoker's Dracula* — it was HER idea for Francis Ford Coppola to direct the blood sucker. And the thanks she got? He drove her crazy!

"I handed him the script and I said, 'By the way, this is really a great script and I think you'd be perfect and I would love you to read it,'" says Winona. "But I didn't think in a million years he was gonna read it."

Not only did Coppola read it, he near Winona the minute she wore the vampire flick to get her in the proper mood.

[illegible] Coppola's set, Winona was [illegible] Dracula's bride, Lucy Westenra, [illegible] Lucy's second wife, Mina Harker.

"I left Mina because she was ill with her need for sex," says Lucy.

"I was Wimbledon five times — but she had kept me in the bed. I was virtually a prisoner of sex for her.

"Sex, sex, sex — it became a nightmare."

Lucy is divorcing his horny honey before she kills him.

"She was always hungry for it and there was never enough to satisfy her appetite."

– London Sun

"I'm 61. But my face is 35."

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NEBRASKA HERMIT GROWS A HORN ON HIS HEAD!

By JACK KENNEDY

Horace Easterwood looks like any other 85-year-old hermit with a glaring exception -- he has a 30-inch horn growing out of the middle of his head!

And while doctors insist that the bizarre appendage could be surgically removed in a simple outpatient procedure, the Nebraska man says he wouldn't dream of cutting it off because "this old horn might not be much to look at, but it's a big part of me."

"It doesn't bother me a bit," explained Easterwood, who proudly showed a ragged hole in a straw hat so he can slip it over the horn and down to his head.

"That's not to say that I've always liked it because there was a time when I would have given anything to be like everybody else. But once I got settled, I learned to accept myself for what I am."

As Easterwood pointed out, the horn was a great source of embarrassment when he was growing up near Omaha during the Great Depression. It was nothing more than a tiny bump on the top of his head at birth.

But it grew throughout his childhood. And even though he's now an old man, the horn, which is covered with wiry hair, is still growing today.

Scientists have never been able to explain what caused the horn to sprout from his head. But doctors confirm that it is made up of a protein called keratin, just like the horns of goats and cows.

"I cut myself with a hatchet a few years ago and had to go to the hospital to get sewed up," he said. "A couple of doctors said they would cut off my horn and let me go home the same day.

"I said, 'Nobody's cutting on my horn. If I just sat here, you [illegible]

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STUTTERERS ARE S-S-S-SMARTER!

By RANDY JEFFRIES / Special correspondent

People who stutter like idiots when they speak are smarter than people who don't!

That's the word from psychologist Nils Lind, who conducted an intensive, six-year study of 3,500 men, women and children and found that stutterers outscore normal people on intelligence tests by an average of 22 points.

"I wasn't surprised by the findings — I was floored by the findings," the Swedish researcher told reporters. "Like most people, I had a lifelong bias against people with speech impediments possibly because they have so much trouble expressing themselves.

"When the results of my study first started coming in I actually thought that there was something wrong with my testing methods. But as time passed I realized that my methods were sound.

"In the final analysis, I found that stutterers as a group have IQs in the genius bracket. Even the stupidest stutterer I think most of us would do well to remember that when we are in the company of a stutterer," he added. "Chances are, he's going to be significantly smarter than we are."

Dr. Lind's conclusions might sound fantastic but the historical record and supporting studies seem to bear them out.

Historians confirm that brilliant scientists like Albert Einstein, Thomas Edison and Alexander Graham Bell stuttered. And recent studies show that 74 percent of the world's wealthiest men and women, as well as 68 percent of college professors, stutter, too.

"We're not entirely sure what makes stutterers more intelligent but there is some evidence to indicate that people stutter because they think faster and more deeply than people who speak normally," said Lind. "The stuttering comes about because thoughts are being generated so quickly that their speaking apparatus becomes overloaded."

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Gutsy granny slugs thugs — [illegible] teapot!

Three thugs got the shock of their lives when they broke into the home of 86-year-old Fran Glickman — and the gutsy granny clobbered them with her teapot and showered them with scalding hot tea!

"They ran out of here screaming and licking their wounds," fire-breathing Fran told reporters in Pretoria, South Africa.

Lawmen said the burly bugles, all in their 30s, apparently thought the house was empty when they broke in looking for loot.

"But Mrs. Glickman was in the kitchen having her evening tea, and the minute she heard them she attacked," said Detective David Brown.

"I'd give anything to have seen the look on their faces when she came after them with

ARTIFICIAL CHRISTMAS TREES ARE FOR THE BIRDS!

MY AMERICA
By ED ANGER

You'll never find one in any house, says Ed!

I'm mad as hell and I'm not going to take it anymore.

My wife Thelma Jean and our eight daughters just waddled through the front door with a Christmas tree — a cardboard one, for crying out loud.

It's one of those damned artificial trees made out of nylon and nylon until it'll go with the living room carpet. Ugly as sin.

If God had wanted us to put up fake trees for Christmas, they'd grow that way by now.

Let's face it. About the only REAL thing with about

Now they're even pushing chemicals on you with sprays on these stupid artificial trees that make them smell like spruce or pine.

I only have an old fuddy-duddy judge but the Anger family will have no part of that kind of crap. I tell relatives this holiday if they have an artificial tree sitting in their living room. And I hope you and yours will do the same.

How the hell is this boycott going to work? Easy. When the urge hits to drive you over the local lumber store or a tree lot get away. We'll love to come over and help your presents but do not have an artificial tree! If they say yes, just hang up. Ham.

After a couple of calls, they get the picture, folks.

If we must band together now to save the old American tradition of live trees for Christmas we might as well get ready for anti-cut turkeys and cranberry sauce for Fido's supper.

And guess where all these artificial trees are made? Japan and Hong Kong, that's where.

Next thing you know we'll have a socialist Santa Claus. So get out the old ax and go chop down a tree this holiday.

Bad news for Japanese couples!

Wanna get married? It'll cost $67,000!

Couples in Japan don't even think about getting married unless they have $67,000 in the bank.

That's the average cost of getting hitched, says the Sanwa Bank after interviewing 800 Japanese newlyweds.

The amazing cost breakdown includes $9,484 for rings, $27,740 for the ceremonies and reception, $8,150 for the honeymoon and $14,400 for furniture, appliances, clothes and apartment rental.

Parents kicked in an average of $16,981, but 29 percent of the couples said they

Drop your goose & you're disqualified!

Perhaps the craziest foot race in the world happens every April in Timaru, New Zealand, where hundreds of men run 12 miles — carrying a hunking goose every step of the way! The race has been

FORGET about fake Christmas trees. Ed wants a full majestic one that smells like

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He and pal bend over at the same time and conk heads

WORKER KILLED — TYING HIS SHOE!

By JACK ALEXANDER
Correspondent

Construction hand Derek Hudson died when he bent over to tie his shoelace and cracked heads with a friend who bent over at the same time.

Hudson, 31, complained of feeling weak after the freak accident and was rushed to a hospital in Middlesbrough, England, where he died 11 days later.

"We had finished work and were changing our muddy clothes when I bent over to take off my shoes," co-worker Keith Barker said. "Derek had bent down at the same time and we banged heads. It was an amazing one in a million accident. We were both pretty stunned and kept on changing clothes." Barker added. "I didn't realize Derek was hurt until a few minutes later."

Two weeks before the incredible head knocking incident Derek had complained of painful migraine headaches, but he didn't take time off from work to see a doctor.

Neurosurgeon Ernest Sillas said a weak spot in a vein and that supplied blood to Derek's brain was damaged when he butted heads with his friend.

A brain scan taken a day after the bizarre accident revealed a blood clot.

"The blood could not have ruptured at any time without warning, even from roughing or shaving," Sillas said.

Derek and his buddy were working as industrial riggers for a construction company at the time of the bizarre mishap.

PIGGY BACK

Friends who pig heads a ride with the pal starts the pony When Oklahoma farmer Dick Brumley got Pamela on a piggy ride, he got that pony beats for a ride and they've been great pals ever since

Throat cancer victim talks through his stomach

A language teacher who lost his throat and emphysema to cancer has learned to talk through his stomach, says the *China Daily* newspaper.

Zhu Renlin, 43, didn't think he could live another day after doctors performed cancer surgery in 1983.

But the courageous old man from Jinan, China, bucked back.

And with the help of new speech techniques, Zhu learned how to swallow air and then belch it out, creating a new sound.

Zhu learned how to manipulate larynx and air so that he could talk.

"I am very grateful to my doctors," said Zhu, whose speech, though weak and hoarse, is surprisingly clear. "You can't imagine what it was like for me being unable to speak. It was horrible. There were times when I didn't even want to live."

Dr Yang Renkhang, who heads up the Artificial Throat Research Group in Shadong, said, "Because we were able to raise Zhu's stomach and join it to the rest of the tongue, he is able to breathe normally and use the airflow to speak. It was a remarkable piece of surgery."

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Supergrass never needs mowing!

By TANYA BROOKS / Special correspondent

Scientists have developed a new type of grass that never needs mowing — because it grows to the perfect height overnight and then stops!

The amazing new plant comes in green, red, blue and yellow and produces a gorgeous, velvet smooth lawn, according to the geneticists who developed it. They expect it to be widely available in the U.S. within two or three years.

Lawns grow to perfect height — then stop!

"We were working on a variety of grass that would produce excellent pasture in dry areas of the world," explained Dr. Norman Cadwallier, head of a team of Australian plant breeding experts who developed the miracle plant. "We wanted something that would stay short and close to the ground so that in sunlight zone where transpiration that we needed at the same time a very hardy plant that would spread and grow thick and lush.

"When we came up with this variety — which we call GP3 — we knew we had more than just a farm crop. This is a grass that will delight home owners everywhere. This is the perfect maintenance-free lawn grass."

Cadwallier says he and his team have perfected varieties of the grass in designer colors. The new grass rarely needs to be watered because it was designed to thrive in dry climates, the scientist says, and because it hugs the ground, it never needs a lawn mower.

"It is resistant to weeds, bugs and disease and it grows to its full height overnight. It's a real miracle grass from the point of view of the overworked homeowner."

Cadwallier and his colleagues have patented their astonishing creation which they developed by combining desert grasses from Africa and Australia — and plan to market the miracle ground cover in Australia early next year. They expect it to be available in the U.S. a year or two following its introduction in Australia.

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Dog dines on master's false teeth!

Cubo the rocker spaniel doesn't care much for steak — but he's eaten his master's false teeth three times this year!

"I can hardly get that crazy dog to eat beef or any of the things most dogs eat — but anytime my dinnerers are within snarling distance, he goes right for them," flabbergasted farmer Claudia Perez told reporters outside Puerto Castello, Paraguay.

"After he made a meal out of them twice, I'd been trying to hide them from him, but he'd always find them. Then he started to bring them to me. I'd be sitting down to eat and he'd drop them in my lap. I'd throw them out the window and he'd jump out and get them. I'd lock them in the bedroom and he'd jump through the window to get them."

Perez said Cubo has also jumped from a table onto a 12-foot-high bookcase to get at them and polished them off before I could stop him.

"My dentist says I'm either going to have to get rid of that mutt — or just learn

My lady gives her lovin' to everyone but me!

Confidential

Dear Devastated in Cleveland. YOU'RE demoralized? What about the innocent people you killed?

Dear Anxious Teen in Oakwood. Say what you like — as far as I'm concerned 13-year-old girls don't know ANYTHING about love!

Dear Anguished in Connecticut. Just because your husband came home with lipstick on his collar doesn't mean he was with a woman. In this day and age he might have been with a man!

Dear Unsure in Akron. If I've told you once, I've told you a thousand times. Any woman who stays with an abusive husband is sick in the head!

Dear Cowardice in Maryland. You're a regular parrot of cliches. Now that I've said that, go die!

Dear Puzzled Girl in Kilby. I don't care what your boyfriend says. Condoms ARE visible to the naked eye!

Dear Dotti: I've been head over heels in love with a gal for two years now but we've got one big problem with our relationship. She refuses to get intimate with me until we get married.

But I know for a fact that she's making it with at least four of my friends. I don't want to give her up, Dotti. What should I do? — Confused in Geiger

Dear Confused: The solution to your problem is as plain as the nose on my face. If you want to get intimate with your girlfriend that bad, call off the wedding — and stand in line with your friends!

My buddy lost me cash and now he wants it back!

Dear Dotti: A friend of mine treated me to a few beers ago and told me to pay him back whenever I could. I don't make a big salary, and needless to say, I haven't been able to scrape up the dough to repay the loan. You'd think my friend would understand, but he's pressuring me to pay him back right away! How can I get him off my back, Dotti? — Needled in Fort Myers

Dear Needled: Anybody stupid enough to loan you money deserves to be stiffed. Tell this so called friend of yours you have no intentions of paying him back. And if he keeps needling you, take him to court!

Mom's dirty dogs are stinking up the house!

Dear Dotti: My mother is a dog breeder and brings home every stray she can find. At last count she had 43 dogs of every description — and they're all living in her house! The place stinks to high heaven. I've tried to persuade her to get rid of the dogs but she won't hear of it. Have you any suggestions on how I can get her out the door? — Revolted in Birmingham

Dear Revolted: There are laws against keeping that many dogs in a house. See if you really need the aid but in cases up here we call the cops — and have her locked up!

My lead-foot hobby is hell on wheels!

Dear Dotti: My husband is a great guy but he drives like a maniac. He speeds, backs the cars constantly and runs red lights for the fun of it. He's literally a monster behind the wheel. What should I do? — Terrified in L.A.

Dear Terrified: I certainly don't advocate violence but I will say this: The last time I got behind the wheel with a guy who drove like that, I broke his nose! Maybe you should do the same!

Gals who sexually harass guys make me want to puke!

Dear Dotti: Everybody complains about men sexually harassing women on the job but I'm here to tell you that women harass men, too. It makes me sick to think about it. If a lady co-worker ever gets away with me, I'll have her thrown in jail! — Furious in Waukee

Dear Furious: I could say a lot of things in response to your letter but I'll keep it simple. Judging from the photo you sent, sexual harassment is the last thing you'll NEVER have to worry about!

Dotti will answer your letters — and hell to him if he has nothing to say, c/o Weekly World News, 600 South East Coast Ave., Lantana, Fla. 33462.

Ask Serena

Will my dear wife EVER have a baby?

Dear Serena: My wife and I have been trying to have children for seven years in a row. We've consulted six doctors, including three fertility specialists, but nobody can help us.

We are good, decent people, Serena, and want children more than anything in the world. Please help us. You're our only hope. — Desperate in Jackson

Dear Desperate: My spell of fertility power Jelly Widdin has made your wife with be pregnant — with twins!

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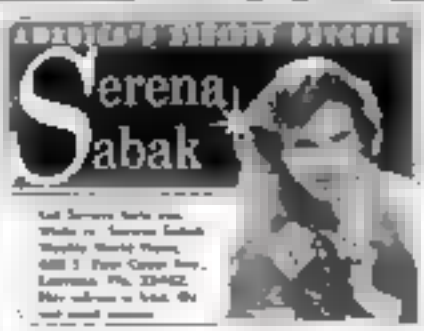
Dear Serena: I was a big fan of your aunt, Countess Sophia Sabak, who wrote the psychic column for Weekly World News before you took over. Whatever happened to her? — Helen in Los Angeles

Dear Helen: You might remember that Countess Sophia Sabak died in 1991 at the age of 93. She left me her entire estate, including her psychic column as she could do more with her time to charity work both here and abroad.



Last Serena Sabak was Weekly World News, 600 S. East Coast Ave., Lantana, Fla. 33462. Her column is lost. Do not send money.

I retained a Junior Name in Thailand but plans to return to the United States in February to begin her work with the homeless here. By the way, the Countess wishes all her faithful readers a very merry Christmas — and a prosper ous New Year!

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Dear Serena: Several years ago a dark-haired stranger stopped me on a street corner and told me I was a "chosen one." I asked her to explain what she meant but she just fell to her knees and kissed my feet. Then she jumped up and ran away. What the heck was she talking about, Serena? — Vexed in Dayton

Dear Vexed: Come December 31, you will embark on the adventure of your life. I don't want to give anything away, but I'll give you one hint. Before the end of 1993, you'll be one of the most powerful human beings on Earth!

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PERSONAL TO...

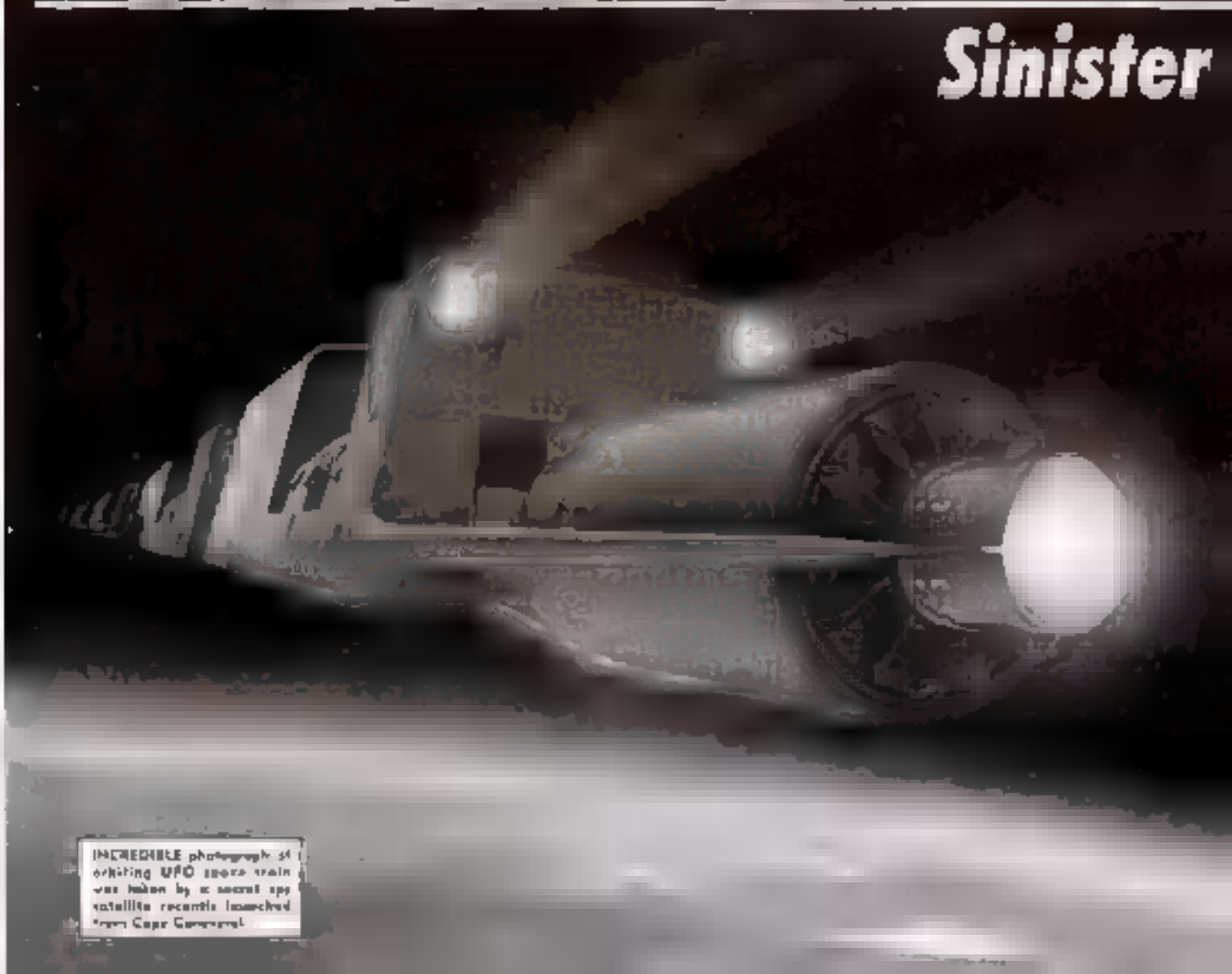
Dying in Richmond: You only THINK you're dying. I see years of life ahead of you!

Terrified in Tampa: My spell of protection is with you!

SECRET NASA PHOTO CONFIRMS:

UFO SPACE TRAIN

Sinister



INCREDIBLE photograph of orbiting UFO space train was taken by a secret spy satellite recently launched from Cape Canaveral

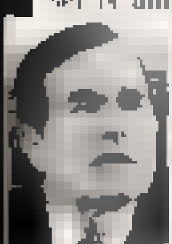
WE'RE IN BIG TROUBLE!

ORBITING EARTH

370-car vessel is carrying alien invasion force, warns Pentagon

By REX WO[illegible]

WASHINGTON — A massive UFO that looks like a train has been orbiting Earth for the past six weeks and far from being friendly, the vessel is almost certainly carrying extraterrestrial soldiers who are planning to invade and conquer Earth!


President Bush

Clinton

That's the word from UFO researcher Roger Klabuchar, who obtained photographs of the UFO from Pentagon sources and quoted agency documents as saying that "the strange vessel is absolutely positively manned by extraterrestrial warriors."

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SHUTTLE FLEET ON FULL ALERT!

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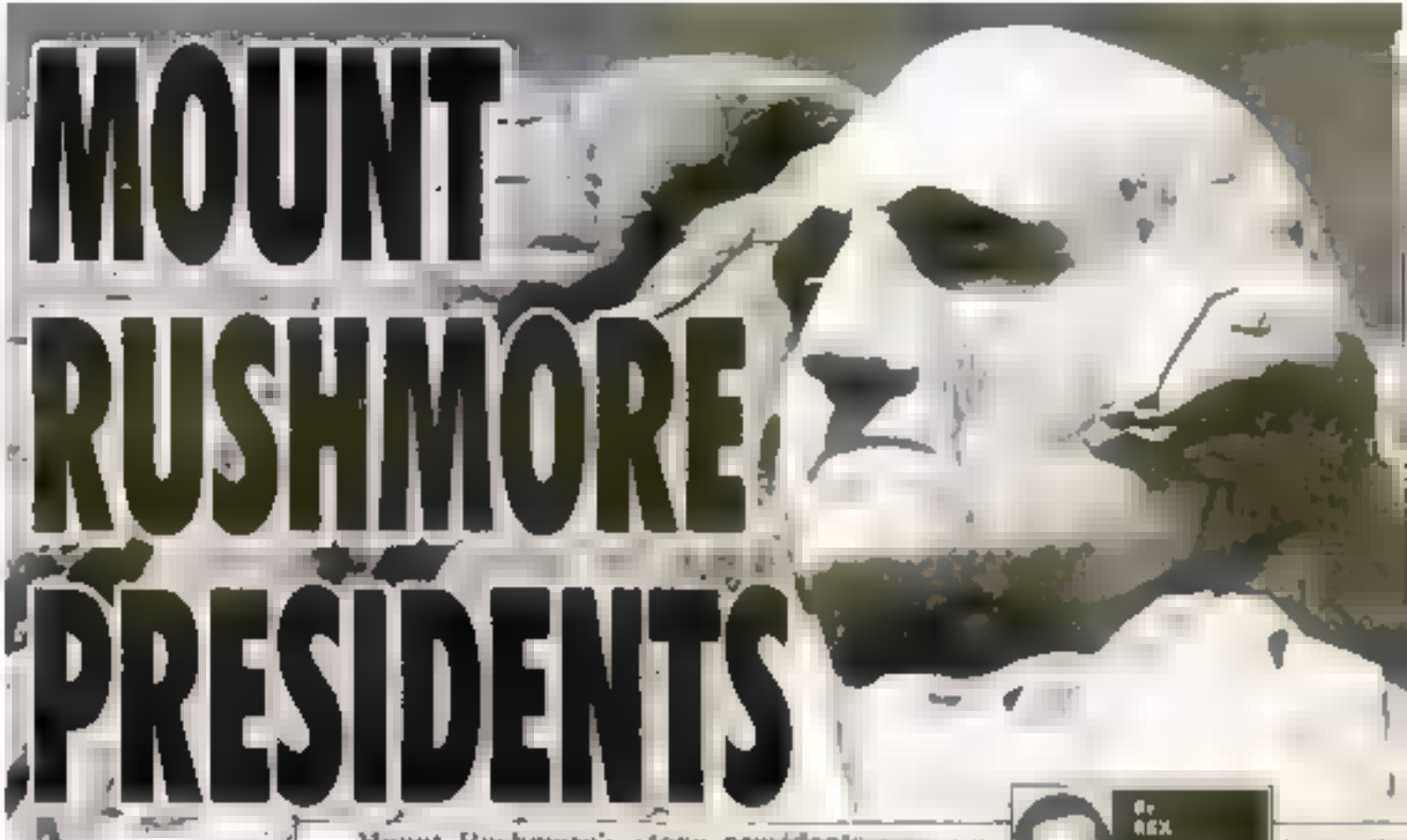
MOUNT RUSHMORE PRESIDENTS ARE CRYING



Mount Rushmore's stone presidents are crying real tears for the first time since President John Kennedy was assassinated in 1963. And while nobody has been able to explain the phenomenon, at least one expert believes that far from being sad, "the sculptures are crying tears of joy."

That's the word from geologist Robert Merrily who has been monitoring the situation since the tears first began to flow on October 24 and says he can figure out what is making the stone figures cry. Read on to learn more and why.

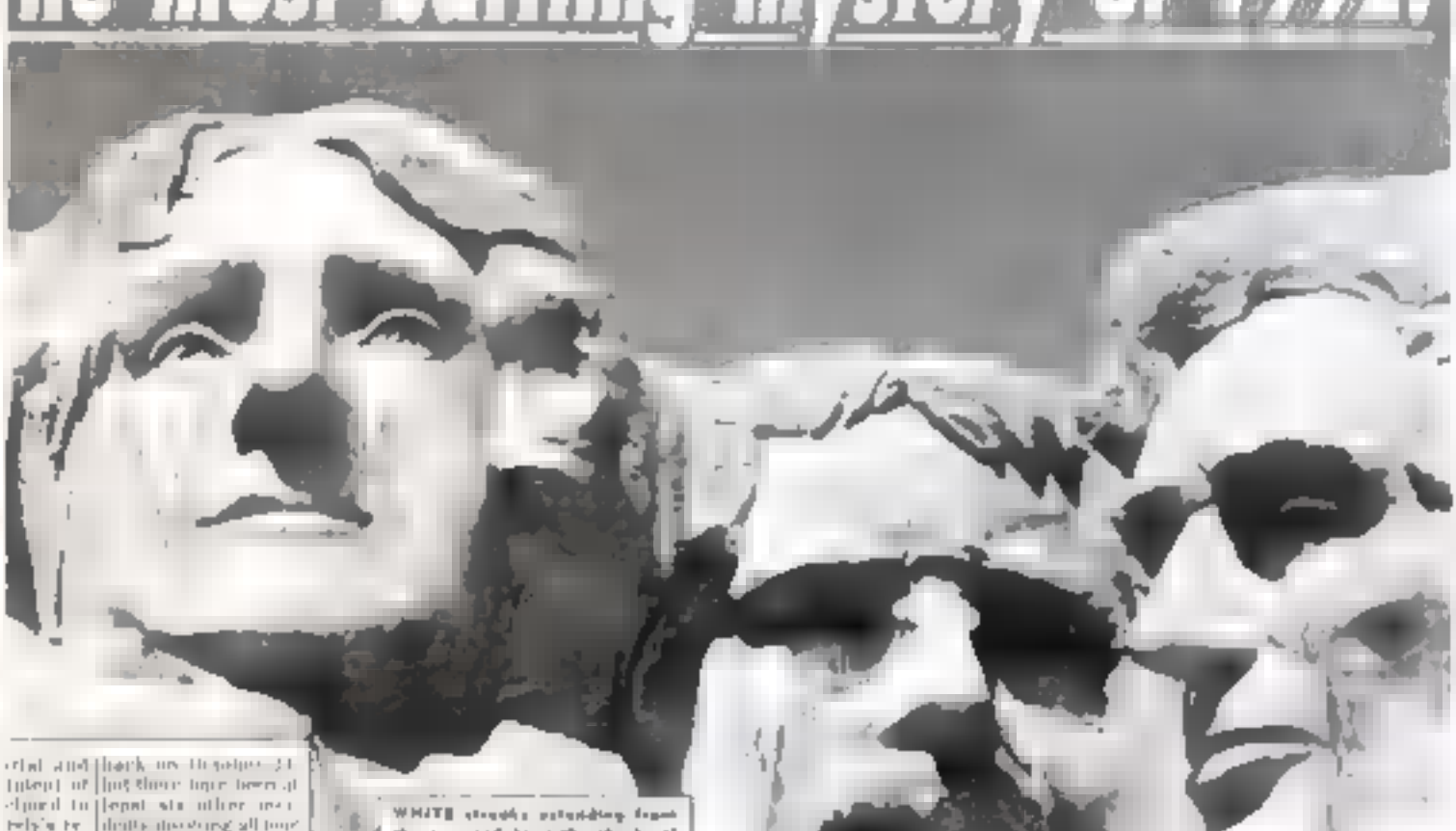
By REX WOLFE

Staff Correspondent

National Memorial in South Dakota

Experts confirm: Human tears flo

The most baffling mystery of 1992!



WHITE streaks extending from the eyes and down the cheeks of the Mount Rushmore presidents are shown in photo taken one month after the stone faces cried

ying from stone faces!

WOMAN MARRIES

by JOE MAGER
Staff writer

Dinghat divorcee Alice Lesson was so scared the landlord would evict her precious pussycat Harry that she called in a preacher — and made Harry her hubby!

"I figured he damn well couldn't kick the little fellow out of the apartment if we were married, so I invited some friends over and we had the most beautiful wedding you ever saw," gushed the blushing bride.

"Hell, I love Harry more than any of the creeps who've asked me out during the past two years anyway, so it works out just fine as far as I'm concerned. Now if that old man tells me to get rid of him, I'll sue his butt off."

Blissfully happy Alice, 33, decided to tie the knot with her tabby after her landlord notified her that Harry would have to hit the road by the end of the month.

"I've had Harry for a year and he hasn't caused the slightest bit of trouble for anybody, but all of a sudden he decides to change the rules on us," the tickled-pink office worker told reporters in Rochester, N.Y.

"I can't afford to move but I sure didn't want to give up my little buddy, either. Well, I started looking through my lease real careful and I noticed it said I couldn't take in a roommate except my spouse in the event I married.

"So I said, 'Harry, take a bath and get yourself all dolled up — because you and me are going to a wedding.'"

And 10 days later, dressed in a shimmering white gown, the teary-lipped lady stood before a preacher and promised to love and obey her shivering bride for as long as they both shall live.

"It was a gorgeous wedding, absolutely gorgeous," wacky Alice insisted.

"My Harry had his little bow tie on and he looked absolutely handsome as could be.

JOYFUL bride Alice Lesson married her cat Harry in a simple ceremony performed by Rev. Collin Weber. Alice's best friend Mary Tyrone served as bridesmaid. Below newlyweds Alice and Harry share a toast.

After chopping [redacted] impress their bosses...

GANGSTERS BEG DOCTORS: SEW OUR FINGERS BACK ON!

A severed finger is a status symbol among Japanese mobsters, but many of them are going "straight" now — and are begging doctors to replace the missing fingers.

Slicing off the little finger has long been a mob ritual designed to keep wayward underlings in line. Crooks cut off their own fingers to impress the boss — and strike fear in their enemies.

A tough new anti-crime law has prompted many of Japan's gangsters to become law abiding citizens. But the missing digit is hurting their chances of finding a legitimate job.

The demand by ex-mobsters for finger replacements has kept orthopedic surgeon Mitsuo Yoshimura busy.

Store owner clobbers crook with cans of soup!

A crook with a meat cleaver more than met his match when he tangled with a bad-tempered store owner — who showered him with cans of vegetable soup.

The terrified would-be robber dropped the cleaver and fled for his life as store owner Anthony Rainone called the cops in Jamestown, N.Y. A 37-year-old man was arrested a half hour

Widow killed by hubby's [redacted]

Grieving widow Liliana Andreanni died instantly while praying at her husband's grave — when his tombstone fell and crushed her skull.

Cops in Florence, Italy, said the accident must

HER KITTY

HOLY CAT-RIMONY!

... to foil landlord's ban on pets!

ATTRACTIVE Alice couldn't stand the thought of getting rid of her cat Harry.

there, and after the ceremony in my apartment, we went down the street to a restaurant and had a real nice reception with shrimp and caviar and champagne — and a big glass of milk for Harry.

"The only thing that could have made it any better is if my mom had been there. She said she just couldn't bear to come and see her only daughter get married to a bennet.

"Mom's more of a dog

Weirdo rings up $30,000 phone bill — making prank calls!

When Harvard coeds complained that a man was harassing them by telephone, cops tracked down the culprit — in Austria!

Authorities say a bored college student in that country ran up a $30,000 telephone bill making more

bugging one student 50 times a day.

"He said he has no close friends, no hobbies and nothing else to do, so he spent his time on the phone," said Harvard police

our young ladies on campus have taken the calls very, very seriously."

Police in Austria talked with the unidentified suspect and his father, and the boy

Hitler wasn't wacko!

Adolf Hitler wasn't insane when he ordered the killing of millions of innocent people during World War II.

That's the surprising conclusion of French psychiatrist Felix Lamoore. "He suffered from a number of physical illnesses, but he was as sane as me or you," Lamoore said.

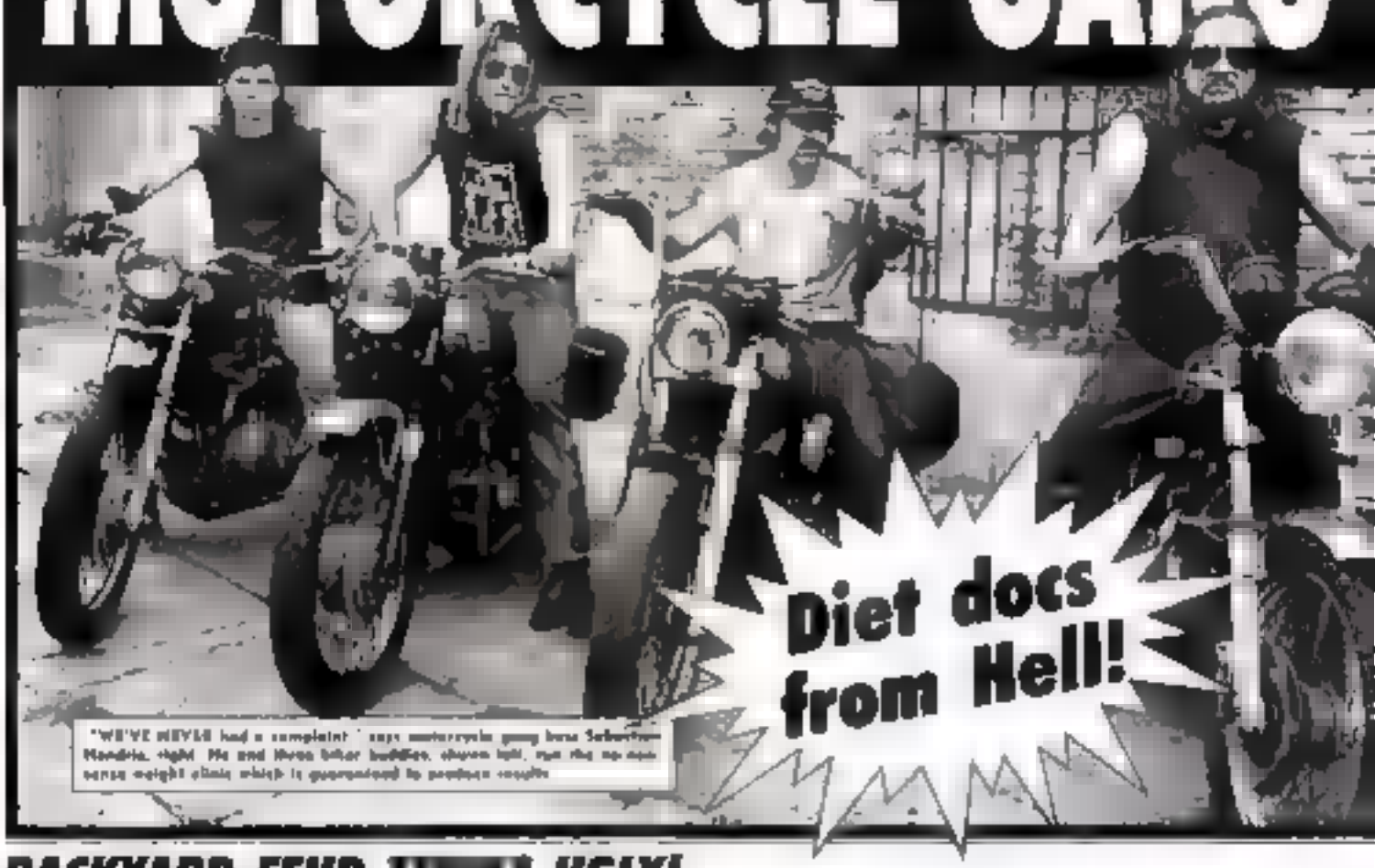
DRUNK ELEPHANTS STAMPEDE VILLAGE!

A herd of rogue elephants broke open 15 barrels of rice wine, slurped down the potent stuff, then staggered drunkenly through a nearby village — smashing 70 houses to smithereens!

Luckily, residents of the Gurkani, India, heard the plastered pachyderms coming and escaped before the herd arrived.

Town fathers said about a dozen elephants partied down after accidentally stumbling on a shed outside the village where the home-

MOTORCYCLE GANG



"WE'VE NEVER had a complaint," says motorcycle gang boss Sebastian Mendola, right. He and three biker buddies, shown left, run the no-nonsense weight clinic which is guaranteed to produce results

BACKYARD FEUD [redacted] UGLY!

Man blown away after he chainsaws neighbor's fence!

By JACK ALEXANDER
Staff writer

An ex-cop blew away his next-door neighbor in a hail of bullets after the victim grabbed a chain saw — and cut down his backyard fence.

Gordon Chance Jr., 43, was shot in the head [illegible] and back by Jack Thomas, a retired California highway patrolman, who was acquitted of second-degree murder.

The feud came to a head when Chance sawed down the 4-foot fence Thomas had built along their property line.

Thomas called the sheriff and Chance was carted off to jail.

Thomas, 66, was rebuilding his fence later the same day when Chance returned home after getting bail. When Thomas saw Chance approaching him with "a metal or object in his hand," he pulled out a pistol and shot him three times.

Defense lawyer Fred Hagman characterized Chance as a "loony," who had threatened Thomas in the past, according to trial testimony.

"Someday I'm going to make headlines when I take out you and your family and that fence," Chance told the ex-cop.

Thomas said Chance, an angry neighbor approaching him with the metallic object, he thought Chance had a weapon and was going to carry out the threat.

The "metallic object" seen in Chance's hand was a tool cut

$1M Barbie doll collection stolen!

A thief broke into collector Dian Offield's house and stole 3,000 Barbie dolls — worth $1 million.

After sneaking off with the vintage dolls and extra boxes, the bandit burned down the house to cover his tracks, according to cops in San Diego, Calif.

"I just want my collection back," said a devastated Offield. "It meant more to me than anything."

Splat! Man

Pet lover Steve Partridge was in such a hurry to play a soccer match, he backed out of his driveway and squashed his beloved dog. Then the horrified motorist skidded

RUNS THE WORLD'S TOUGHEST FAT FARM

. . . where weight-loss is GUARANTEED!

By RICK TRACY

"Lose Weight or Else" is the menacing motto at the world's toughest fat farm — owned and ruled by a band of naked biker gang!

"When you sign a contract and walk through the front gates, your butt belongs to us for as long as it takes to trim you down," said bearded biker boss Sebastian Hendrix, 32-year-old leader of the Satan's Slaves motorcycle gang who operate the farm as "The Enforcer."

"Each time you're gone to hell after a diet. Because this will not fail. High-priced health spas in the Hollywood hills that claim to be the toughest. Maybe beat some pounds off, but never trim a pound.

We believe the human body can only take just so much pain and suffering, and we find that the only way to the limit for the health and well being of our guests," said Hendrix.

BIKERS' GUNK is having fun people results, see photos

Actually, guests at the spa are more like inmates. They sign a contract to lose a certain amount of weight, and they don't leave until they lose it.

Hendrix and his three bikers supervise heavy exercise and a proper diet on the premises at eliminating blubber.

The day here on the farm begins at dawn and ends at dusk. In between are 12 hours of cardiovascular weight lifting, push-ups, jogging and a diet [illegible] designed on the basis of the Heart Foundation.

Hendrix and his three bikers spotted the fat farm site [illegible] on the hills of Tijuana, Mexico. They have a 30-foot electric fence and have only had a few complaints, Hendrix told a reporter.

"We discourage complaints," he said. He declined to divulge the meal diet beyond an hint that it was designed by a licensed nutritionist. "It's not the willpower of these people the four bikers specialize in, but what they want when they want it — family values, simple pleasures, pastimes, etc.

"We want them to learn how to do without, to suffer," Hendrix explained.

"We don't promise to be trimmed down rule models. We force them to do what we say, not what we like."

One former dieter who lost a staggering 56 pounds told a reporter about being chained to his bed at night after he was caught trying to escape after he accused they all the farm.

"These guys treated me like an animal, but they made a healthier man out of me," he said.

"Their weight loss system really works. I'm not sure whether I lost weight because of the diet, the pain

runs over pet dog — AND his pet cat!

into first gear and flattened the family cat.

Chivers the cat died instantly was going to be late for kick-off to 1 was in a hurry," said the [illegible] hair a bump and heard something right [illegible] right over my dog. I didn't [illegible]

Tragically, Jenny's wife and

COOKING WITH TOOTHPASTE

Arkansas housewife adds a hint of mint to her tasty dishes with a special ingredient!

Creative cook Martha Bourne wants you to sink your teeth into something really delicious: Mouth-watering dishes made with toothpaste!

The Arkansas housewife says cakes, cookies, gelatin, iced tea and even sweet potatoes can be combined with ordinary mint-flavored toothpaste for extra zest and interest. What's more, the mouth-watering concoctions are inexpensive and easy to make, the 40-year-old chef says.

By TANYA BRODER
Contributing Writer

"People don't take to the idea right off, but once they try the recipes they go nuts over them," said Martha, who lives in Little Rock. "They're so scrumptious, so moist, and they have a wonderfully unusual texture."

I have been cooking with pastes with these delicacies ever since and I'm planning to compile them all and put them out in a cookbook sometime next year."

TOOTHPASTE adds a zesty mint flavor to banana bites.

Martha says she first discovered the joys of toothpaste cookery five years ago when she bought a case of a popular mint-flavored toothpaste on special at a discount warehouse.

Worried that the huge supply would go bad before she could use it all, she decided to add a teaspoonful of toothpaste to her mixes for brownies and found the result delicious. After that, she began testing a whole batch of toothpaste recipes, many of which turned out absolutely wonderful, she says.

Next (or Weekly World News, December 30, 1980)

Before Readers, are two of Martha's favorite toothpaste taste treats:

TOOTHSOME SWEET POTATOES

- 4 sweet potatoes
- ¼ pound butter or margarine
- 1 cup mini-marshmallows
- ½ cup orange juice
- 1 Tbsp. mint-flavored toothpaste
- ½ tsp. cinnamon
- ½ cup brown sugar

Peel and cut sweet potatoes into 1-inch chunks and steam in orange juice. When tender, combine with other ingredients except sugar. Spoon mix into layered casserole dish, sprinkle sugar on top and bake for ½ hour or until browned on top.

TOOTHPASTE CUKES

- 1 cucumber, sliced thinly
- 1 Tbsp. sugar
- 1 tsp. mint-flavored toothpaste
- 1 Tbsp. vinegar
- Dash salt

Mix all ingredients together, chill in refrigerator for ½ hour. Serve as a salad with grilled meats or shishkebab.

MARTHA BOURNE whips up a batch of toothpaste cukes.

GIANT HOROSCOPE

for the week of
Mon., Dec. 21 — Sun., Dec. 27

By DONNA BROWN, ASTROLOGER TO THE STARS

ARIES
Mar. 21-Apr. 19

You're swept off your feet!
Someone who's been eyeing you finally makes a major move. You love it!

Hurry! Open all your mail. Good news about more cash is stated in one of the envelopes.

You're a lover of strength in the family. Give what support you can more, but don't be a slacker.

Let your hair down with your friends. You need to party!

TAURUS
Apr. 20-May 20

Fortune smiles on you!
You win a local contest! Share the loot with a special someone, and you'll have an evening you'll always remember.

Friends draw you into their squabble. If the bickering bothers you, cheer them up — slowly.

Don't do anything to jeopardize your reputation as a steady worker.

Put your best foot forward. Behind-the-scenes eyes are watching.

GEMINI
May 21-June 20

Be prepared!
You're offered a wacky way to make some money quickly.

Move fast so you'll beat the competition. You can take home some welcome bucks.

Don't wait any longer to tell a special someone how you feel. This is no time to be shy!

Say no if you don't feel right about something that's happening in the home. You're No. 1!

CANCER
June 21-July 22

Don't worry! Be happy!
Enjoy life as it comes. You can't change it! Stop beating your head against the wall.

It pays to be a workaholic. Your extra efforts bring you a perfect gift of change.

Splurge on an exotic treat — and share it with a special someone.

When you're offered a chance to get away from it all, don't think twice about going.

LEO
July 23-Aug. 22

Dig in your heels!
A deal you'd fantasized comes unraveled. Fight for your share of the goodies all over again.

This time you'll win for sure.

Who's that smiling at you across a crowded room?

This is the start of something you'll both enjoy for a long time.

Go for a gamble! Let higher-ups know you're ready for that big break. You can handle it!

VIRGO
Aug. 23-Sept. 22

Take a risk!
Everything you touch turns into lasting money.

This week you can do deals that usually you shouldn't touch.

Aches and pains seem to disappear.

You're feeling up-up — and you look it, too.

Keep your mouth shut. It won't win you any friends if you tell loved ones their quarrel is silly.

LIBRA
Sept. 23-Oct. 22

Raise your sights!
Roll up your sleeves and meet a challenge.

You'll achieve a goal that would have been out of reach last week.

Keep romantic thoughts alive.

A special someone is ready, willing and eager to help you get started on the path to love!

Design a budget, then stick to it.

You'll end up able to afford a lot more stuff than you think you can.

SCORPIO
Oct. 23-Nov. 21

Take the bull by the horns!
Now's a super time to finish the project you've been working on secretly. A buyer is waiting for it!

You radiate confidence!

Let the chores go for a while. You deserve a break from the daily grind of life.

A special someone wants you to hop on the social merry-go-round.

Say the word you'd rather cuddle by the TV — for this week anyway!

SAGITTARIUS
Nov. 22-Dec. 21

Be cool!
Nip a longing to dip into your savings right in the bud.

That expensive item will be around later on — when you can better afford it.

Someone lets you [illegible] they're impressed with you. You're doing everything right romantically.

Your steady work pays off. It won't be long before [illegible] your own ticket [illegible].

CAPRICORN
Dec. 22-Jan. 19

Say "yes" and mean it!
Be willing to make a big jump.

You'll never regret a change in life-style or a move that you make this week.

A special someone is drawn to you. Be receptive, even if you can't return the feeling right now.

Tackle a project that you've been avoiding. You'll get through it in no time — and do a great job while you're at it.

If your birthday is this week . . .

Mon., Dec. 21 — Sun., Dec. 27

You're successful this year!
Your timing and judgment have never been better.

Open up to new contacts and new scenes wherever you find them.

An unexpected opportunity may require pulling up your roots. Don't refuse it because it's the path to future riches.

Your life at home is peaceful and comfortable. You and your special someone

AQUARIUS
Jan. 20-Feb. 18

Look as good as you feel!
What you want is on the way. What was unavailable before will suddenly land right in your lap.

Carry a shiny, new penny with you at all times. It'll bring you luck — and lots of cash to spend!

A spur-of-the-moment fling is what you need right now. Let a special someone in on your desires.

Put your special effort into your

PISCES
Feb. 19-Mar. 20

Get ready to persevere!
A deal of a lifetime is headed your way.

Don't wait to get advice or you could miss the boat — and the extra cash it'll bring you.

A special someone sparkles when your name comes up. You can enjoy a distracting romantic interlude or you can be cold and lonely.

Recent newcomers from a friend

WIN • WIN • WIN • WIN

Your Lucky Lottery Numbers

Readers all over the country are using Hollywood astrologer Donna Brown's Lucky Lottery Numbers to help them win big bucks. You will find Donna Brown's Lucky Numbers right here each week to help you become a winner, too! To find your Lucky Numbers, simply look them up under your birth sign in the chart below. For extra luck, throw in your birthdate.

Aries	Mar. 21 Apr. 19	6, 13, 20, 26, 34, 43	Libra	Sept. 23 Oct. 22	11, 23, 26, 33, 43, 47
Taurus	Apr. 20 May 20	1, 10, 18, 19, 21, 42	Scorpio	Oct. 23 Nov. 21	11, 22, 24, 34, 36, 47
Gemini	May 21 June 20	11, 19, 34, 38, 42, 46	Sagittarius	Nov. 22 Dec. 21	1, 14, 18, 28, 32, 38
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WRITE A SONG — AND BRING ELVIS PRESLEY OUT OF HIDING!

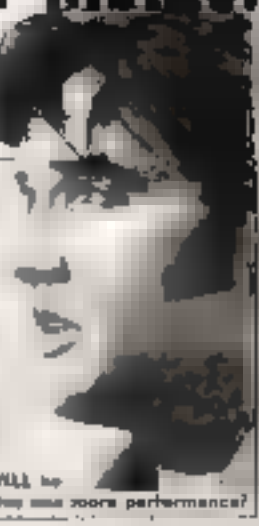
The whole world knows that Elvis Presley didn't die in 1977 and is still alive today, and at least one expert believes that The King will finally come out of hiding — if someone writes a song that's good enough for him to sing!

Author William Stern has spent the past few years convinced that The King will come out of hiding and start performing again. And Stern is convinced that The King will come out of hiding sooner rather than later if sometone can pen a tune "that he can't turn to sing."

"I'm not sure what kind of song would motivate Elvis to start performing again but I imagine that it would be similar to one of the great tunes he sang over the course of his career," said Stern, who has investigated over 2,000 Elvis sightings and written extensively on The King since his alleged death in 1977.

"Hound Dog, Heartbreak Hotel, My Way and In The Ghetto immediately come to mind. But there were many writers in our

THE KING is waiting for your tune!



Will he give one more performance?

listening that the next song Elvis sings will be written by an ordinary person, probably a fan." With that in mind, Weekly World News is soliciting songs from Elvis fans.

Fanatics with rhymes that are sent to the tabloid and published there as a future edition, assuming that Elvis — wherever he is — will have every opportunity to see them. None other than Elvis himself, of

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SCIENTIST CREATES MUTANT VINE — & IT STRANGLES HIM!

By TONY CASSIDY • Special correspondent

An outcast German botanist was brutally strangled and partly devoured — by a hideous flesh-eating vine he had created in his Amazon jungle laboratory!

Dr. Franz Zeitung, a respected botanist until his bizarre experiments with carnivorous plants earned him the scorn of the scientific world, was found wrapped like a mummy in the tentacles of a grotesque, 9-foot-tall vine he had grown from a mutated seed.

When found by his longtime research assistant, Eva Reiter, parts of Zeitung's body were slowly being dissolved by the vine's deadly stalks.

"It was horrible. I've had terrible nightmares ever since I found him," the 40-year-old assistant told reporters in Belo Horizonte, Brazil.

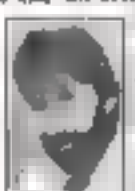
"The vine was writhing and undulating as though in ecstasy. I swear I could actually hear it moaning with pleasure.

"Dr Zeitung must have died an agonizing death.

"His face was twisted and contorted and his eyes were bulging from their sockets. His mouth was gaping open. His skin had no color.

"All of the blood had been absorbed by the vine."

9-foot plant wrapped his body like a mummy!



DR FRANZ ZEITUNG

In his laboratory in Munich, Dr Zeitung — determined to wipe out world hunger — had hoped his research would eventually create a super species of vegetables. But academic colleagues refused him grants, money and respect because his work in the secrecy of the Amazon jungle, Miss Reiter said.

"But the heat and the lonely solitude were driving him mad. He began to think he was God," she continued.

"He gave up his noble cause and he quit injecting the jungle vines by creating them with flesh-eating plants similar to the Venus flytrap.

"And he created monstrous vines that thrived on the flesh of animals that he fed them. And the more they got, the more they wanted. I was afraid to go near them.

"Their branches were like arms reaching out for me. I knew that if they had been able to grab me they would have eaten me.

"I warned him to be careful. That sooner or later they would turn on him. But he scoffed at my warnings. He called me a fool.

"But they did get him. And now he is dead."

Police concluded that the 45-year-old doctor's death was "a tragic accident."

Dr Zeitung's laboratory was destroyed in the struggle with the killer plant. Police said the botanist was killed by creating a jungle vine with a flesh-eating plant

Americans believe Christ is coming back in 21st century!

A whopping 42 percent of Americans believe that Jesus Christ will return to Earth before the end of the 21st century!

You heard right. In an eye-opening survey of 21,000 men and women in 26 major cities, sociologists found 13,730 who said Christ will never go later than the year 2100.

Twenty-two percent, or 4,620, of the people polled, said Jesus will return but declined to speculate on the date. Fifteen percent, or 3,150, said Christ will never return to Earth in spite of religious teachings.

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New drug made from dried tiger dung cures alcoholism

Chinese alcoholics are kicking the bottle for good with the help of a gut-churning "natural" medicine: Tiger poop!

The big cats' droppings are dried, ground into a fine powder and served up in wine to drinks who don't respond to more usual therapies. Believers in Chinese traditional medicine swear that the mixture turns down-and-out boozers into teetotalers in no time.

"My husband used to drink himself into a stupor every night and I was at my wit's end trying to deal with him," says Ling Shu Wan, 42, a mother of one from Beijing.

"Then I mixed a little tiger dung in his wine and served it to him one night.

"I couldn't believe the results. Peng stopped drinking immediately. He said that the very thought of booze made him sick.

"That was four months ago and he hasn't had a drop of the stuff since."

By SALLY CARRUBBA
Correspondent

Gathering tiger dung has become big business in China, where the cat poop sells for as much as $157 an ounce.

Each month, hundreds of persons living in mountainous regions of the country scour the hills where wild tigers roam, collecting cat droppings for profit.

And municipal zoos around the country make hefty incomes from the smelly stuff.

"We have an unlimited demand for tiger dung because China has so many millions of customers," said Dr Huang Chi-Ping, head of an alcoholic treatment program in Wuhan.

"Our studies have shown that the dung affects alcohol metabolism in some way, causing alcohol to make drinkers sick.

"What's more, the sickness caused by the dung appear to be permanent. Once turned off drinking, most people never want to try it again."

Tiger poop has been used in Chinese traditional medicine for centuries, Ping says, but only recently has it been tried on alcoholics.

Scientists are hoping to develop a synthetic form of the substance, but until then tigers will be extremely valuable for their ability to produce the wonder drug.

"We've already seen two cases of tiger rapping in which thugs stole the animals from city zoos so they could extract a supply of dung for sale," Ping said.

"The stuff may not be pretty, but it's like gold on the market."

Yucky stuff helps boozers quit the bottle for good, say docs

TUBS OF FUN!

San Francisco artist Carol Frank shares a bathtub with some of her fanciful creations. The "little old people," as she calls them, were found in a thrift store.

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HUMAN COMPUTER MEMORIZES 650,000 PHONE NUMBERS!

AMAZING Gou Yunting has a mind like a computer

By SANDRA LEE, in China

A Chinese telephone operator with a mind like a computer can recite from memory an incredible 650,000 phone numbers — and she memorizes thousands more every week.

The Beijing wonder woman gave an exhibition of her amazing memory before a crowd of 400 astounded scientists, repeating without a mistake the numbers of businesses and homes in 10 cities around China, says the Xinhua News Agency.

"She is a remarkable memory machine," said Chi Yung, a participant in the conference who watched amazing Gou Yunting, 28, demonstrate her skills. "She is like a human computer; she doesn't even hesitate before repeating a number."

"She recalled hundreds of numbers that were randomly chosen from books with 650,000 phone numbers and she didn't miss a single one they asked her to give."

The attractive young lady says she began memorizing telephone numbers in 1985 when she took a job as an information operator in the very busy central Beijing exchange.

Each week she stored away hundreds of numbers in her computer-like brain so that she wouldn't need to look them up in regional phone books.

The numbers she has filed away in her mind include private residences, businesses, government offices and professional associations.

Miss Gou, who has a photographic memory, says she "reads" them when she calls them up in her mind.

"I remember them in the order they appear in the phone directory," the young operator said. "Every time I add a new number, I just put it in its proper sequence. I remember numbers from different cities in separate lists so I don't get confused."

Miss Gou has become a celebrity in her town after publicity about her talent, but at first it got her in trouble.

"My supervisor noticed that I rarely used the listings and he thought I wasn't doing my job properly," the memory whiz recalled.

"When I explained that I remembered most of the numbers, he didn't believe me. But when I allowed him what I could do, he was just amazed.

"He told everybody about what I can do — he made me famous."

Husbands don't do housework — but it's the wives' fault!

A new worldwide study says husbands don't do enough housework — but it's the wives' fault.

In most homes women do 62 percent of the housework, says the report by the International Center for Social Security and about to delegate different household jobs.

They want the sheets folded a certain way, the bed made "just so" and dishes properly dinner isn't cooked exactly the way they'd think it.

So most of these women would rather do the jobs themselves — and the husbands are

Lamp post halts crooks' getaway!

Two stupid jailbirds made a break for freedom while guards were taking them to court, but the handcuffed-together duo was stopped in unbelievable way — by a lamp post!

According to cops in Herts, England, Michael O'Hara, 30, and Richard Jobe, 27, ran up each side of a streetlamp when chained together with handcuffs. That brought the hapless to a painful halt — with a pair of broken noses.

Why aren't American schoolkids this smart?

Third graders in Denmark are required to be able to

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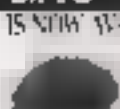

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A UFO kidnapped a herd of elephants from a safari park while horrified witnesses watched!

"We didn't know what to make of it," Police Detective Oscar Moreno told reporters in Lagos Spain. "It's like something out of a science fiction movie.

"But 40 people witnessed the abduction. And the fact is 24 elephants are missing."

The dumpy, saucer-like craft hovered in broad daylight as the terrified herd tried to escape. According to the witnesses, a 240-foot UFO with purple lights swirled in ghostly mist as members over the park.

Then it sprayed the grazing elephants with a bluish-orange light and pulled all 24 into its belly.

"At first I thought the whole thing was being staged when the UFO first appeared," said Imelda Gil Cáceres, who was dancing through the park with her children.

"But when the elephants started rising up in the air I knew it wasn't a joke. The kids were laughing but I was terrified."

Stunned tourists see saucer suck up zoo's prized animals!

"I wanted to put the car in reverse and back away, but I was too frightened."

The entire incident lasted less than 30 seconds, witnesses said. After that the alien ship, which was silver and shaped like an upside-down bowl, disappeared.

Officials at the safari park refused to give any comment on the alleged abduction.

But Madrid-based UFO researcher Jose Diaz Palacat has spoken at length on the case. He says aliens have abducted over 200 earthlings from space in the past six months.

"Hardly a week passes when we don't hear of at least one report of an animal abduction. The extraterrestrials obviously have a growing interest in Earth and our animal life."

ELEPHANTS stampede in escape bid.

Country music causes suicide!

Folks who listen to country music songs are more likely to commit suicide, says a troubling new study by researchers.

Dr. Jeffrey Jensen Arnett of Clark University in Massachusetts and psychologists at Iowa State College in Ames, according to Jim Goodhue of Auburn University and Steven Stack of Wayne State University.

A study of 49 Continental areas found that

Schoolkids threatened: 'Mr. Scissors will cut out your tongues and livers!'

New York teachers get the [redacted] for scaring noisy third-graders

One terrified little girl had horrible nightmares after two third-grade teachers threatened to punish rowdy students — by cutting out their tongues and livers.

Teachers Lynne Strumlok and Joanne Herschkorn have apologized and said they were just kidding when they told the 7- and 8-year-olds that "Mr. Scissors" (a real pair of scissors) would remove their tongues and livers. "Mr. Scissors" was kept in the teachers' desk drawer.

An angry mother said a youngster was hauled before his classmates and forced to don a mask that covered his nose and mouth, which one of the teachers described as a "blood catcher" for the removal of tongues.

By JACK ALEXANDER
Staff writer

One of the teachers was quoted as telling the little kids the tongue would be first and then the livers.

One parent became outraged when her little girl asked such weird questions as, "Can someone talk without a tongue?"

"How much of your childhood do you have to cut to take out someone's liver?"

Needless to say, parents of the third graders were hopping mad when they learned of the bizarre threats.

Jacqueline Jones complained to the Syracuse (N.Y.) city school system, claiming her daughter Lisa, 8, was traumatized by the threats, had nightmares and was being treated by a therapist.

"These two teachers were way out of step," said her lawyer Francis Walker.

"The threat needs a strong message to everybody in the classroom.

"Whether it was said as black humor or as just doesn't matter.

"These 7-year-olds are very impressionable," Walker added.

"It's appalling," said one state psychologist.

"A teacher is supposed to engender feelings of safety and security. These teachers have done the opposite."

The mother of one 8-year-old said it's child brought nightmares to school and threatened to cut someone's tongue out, the child would be suspended. "You look at the faces of these little children and wonder if inside, they've scared to death," she said.

The two Delaware Academy teachers have been suspended without pay, now for eight months and the other for two months.

Joanne Herschkorn has been teaching 11 years. Lynne Strumlok, five years. School officials would give no further details.

Don't snort the toothpaste!

The government of Peru plans to produce a high-powered new toothpaste — from the green leaf used to make cocaine!

Peruvian officials insist that coca is harmless in its leaf form and is a potent weapon against tooth decay.

Many of the country's coca [illegible] have routinely chewed coca for centuries to fight off hunger and fatigue — without demonstrating any ill effects, say authorities.

"It has been proven that 90 percent of the people who chew coca have very good teeth," said Juan Vasquez, manager of Enaco, the government's National Coca Company.

Enaco oversees the legal harvest of 15,000 tons of coca each year.

An additional 65,000 tons of the stuff are harvested illegally, converted into cocaine and smuggled into America and Europe.

If the zingy new toothpaste is a hit, Peru may also begin producing coca chewing gum,

THE CAT'S MEOW

Pretty model Esther Porter spent her childhood summers on her uncle's wild mustang farm. That's where she fell in love with big cats. Her favorite is the leopard and her silky pelt is just one of the many things around her that spur the spotted model. She even has leopard wallpaper in her apartment.

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Teen girl bleeds to death — from bullet she didn't know hit her!

By JACK ALEXANDER
Staff writer

Pals loving Holly Ann Stiffler slowly bled to death after being shot in the abdomen — and she wasn't even aware she'd been wounded until an hour after it happened.

The popular 15-year-old Texarco had accompanied friends to a party at a warehouse in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Two cars began fighting and shots were fired. One of the bullets struck Holly, who slumped to the floor.

"We thought Holly had passed out," said Shirley Schneider, 17.

"She woke her up and asked if she had been shot. She said, 'No, no.' And we didn't see any blood."

Holly and her friends left the party and drove to a home in Coral Gables. An hour later, Holly realized she was bleeding and her friends rushed her to a hospital.

There, she underwent surgery — nearly three hours after she was shot.

"Obviously she was bleeding internally, but no one was aware of it until it was too late," said a police officer investigating the shooting.

Partygoers gave police descriptions of two men who could have been involved in the gunfire according to Detective Timothy Bronson. But no one has been arrested.

The warehouse is owned by a musician who uses it to practice with his band. He said they also use the warehouse for weekend parties, charging $5 a person.

The dead teen's dad sobbed quietly as he mourned the loss of his daughter, who he called his "fishing buddy, who lit up the room with her smile."

"She happened to be in the wrong place at the wrong time and took a bullet that was meant for somebody else," Bronson said.

Violent flicks turn men into monsters!

Researchers have revealed a frightening fact about men who watch brutal, sexual movies — they're becoming heartless perverts.

Men who viewed such savage movies as *I Spit on Your Grave* and *Texas Chain Saw Massacre* for five straight days, weren't even repelled by the violence and gore.

"The men actually became more indifferent to the violence as the days went on," said expert Daniel Linz.

But the most startling discovery came when the same men were questioned after watching a film of a rape trial. Their attitude seemed to be, "The victim got what she deserved."

FAN-tastic!

These cool cows spent more than under the blow-dryer after their appointment at the bovine beauty parlor during a Bovine's show in Calgary, Canada. From the boss's point of view, the fans

DAD MISSING FOR 11 YEARS FOUND — AT BOTTOM OF RIVER!

By DICK DONOVAN, Staff writer

The skeletal remains of Richard Lena, a family-loving father of two who mysteriously vanished in 1981, were found in his submerged car by police divers searching for stolen guns — in a river just a couple of miles from his home!

The grisly discovery was the answer to a prayer for Lynnette Lena, his widow, and to Evelyn Lena, his mother, two women who never believed for a minute that Richard had deserted his family.

"I figured that someday I'd know what happened to him," Lynnette said. "If it took until the day I died, I was going to know. They had him in all kinds of places and here they found him almost at our back door."

In the early morning of Dec. 12, 1981, Richard Lena 34, left a local tavern and headed for his home near Johnson Creek. He never arrived.

Richard's strange disappearance soon sparked talk that he had abandoned his family and was living in Florida. Another wild rumor said he was a drug dealer and had been murdered.

As weeks turned into months and months into years, the rumors faded. Lynnette went to work to support herself and the girls, Gayle and Jennifer. Then 6 and 8, and in time, the pain of their loss became bearable.

But their faith in Richard's love never faltered and, just a few weeks ago, the tragic truth of what really happened came to light.

The mystery was unraveled when police divers searching for guns taken in an unrelated burglary came across Richard's car parked on end at the bottom of the Black River.

Human remains found scattered on the front seat were positively identified as his and an autopsy revealed he had drowned.

It's now believed that Richard left the tavern and had driven less than a mile when his car apparently careened out of control, plowed 150 feet down an embankment and plunged into the icy waters of the river.

It took 11 lonely, heartbreaking years, but time has at last proven that his wife's and mom's unflinching faith in Richard's love for his family had not been misplaced.

Now there can be no more rumors, no more doubts. When Richard vanished that cold December morning 11 years ago, he wasn't deserting his family he was going home!

FAMILY portrait first appeared in the Milwaukee Journal showed Richard Lena with his wife Lynnette and daughters Gayle, left, and Jennifer.

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INDIA'S TRAGIC TIGER WIDOWS!

Man-eaters kill 5,000 men — from one town!

MOURNING widows live with the constant fear and sorrow brought by the vicious man-eating Bengal tigers.

By MICKEY McGUIRE

A dark cloud of terror hangs over Arampur, India, where marauding Bengal tigers have killed and eaten so many men that the village is known as Bidhava Palli — "the village of tiger widows!"

At least 5,000 women in Arampur have lost their husbands, who have fallen victim to the savage beasts that prowl the nearby jungle day and night.

And because the Bengal tiger is listed as an endangered species, the pitiful townspeople — now more "endangered" than their tormentors — can do nothing that would harm their vicious killers.

But when a man — usually a husband and father — is dragged into the jungle and eaten, his widow gets a paltry $300 as government compensation for her loss.

"What are we to do?" one fingernail-chewing woman asked, shaking her head in despair. "We must feed our families and to do that we must go to the jungle. We are very poor, so the tigers are never far away. There is nothing we can do but pray to the gods to protect us from them."

The government's efforts to protect the town were nothing more than palliatives. It fenced the jungle around Arampur with barbed wire, but the tigers just leaped over it. Then it built a 20-foot ditch — proving that nothing could keep the tigers out.

Finally, it offered a bounty of $10 for each tiger killed. But the hunters who tried to collect the bounty found that the tigers were too clever to be caught in traps.

Then the government offered a bounty of $20 for each tiger killed. But the hunters who tried to collect the bounty found that the tigers were too clever to be caught in traps.

"It was supposed to put the fear of man back into the tigers," a woman said. "But a healthy tiger fears nothing."

When the dumpsites failed, the villagers were given masks to wear on the back of their heads to confuse the tigers, which government experts claimed would attack from the rear.

But the masks, like the bounty, failed miserably. Now, the government does nothing to help the town.

Conservationist Records claims that 5,000 men have been killed by the protected Bengals since 1976.

"A few years ago someone said, 'This is not Arampur. It is Bidhava Palli — the village of the tiger widows,'" recalled one townsperson. "That evil name has stayed with us."

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Schoolkids using space-age watches cheat exams!

Shifty high school students have found a deadly new space-age way to cheat. They're programming text answers into their digital wristwatches.

The rearranged watches come with keyboards that let users record up to 4,000 letters or numbers — then recall them with the touch of a button.

Schoolkids across America have found ingenious ways to cheat — and many — think setup answers in the palm of their hands.

"I've always said if they spend as much time studying as they did figuring out ways to cheat, they'd wind up learning a heckuva lot more," said one angry Wisconsin teacher.

WORLD'S NO. 1 AIRPORT — FOR CORPSES!

The city of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., ships a staggering 4,000 dead bodies out of its international airport every year. Airline experts say no other airport anywhere in the world even comes close to having such a tremen-

ROYAL BLUSH

Britain's Queen Elizabeth has been having a run of bad luck, with her castle burning down and her problems with the royal family. And this isn't starting out as such a good day for her either as she prepares to lay a wreath of poppies at a memorial in London — unaware that she has a 3-foot streamer of toilet paper stuck to her royal heel. The officer beside her obviously has noticed Her Majesty's predicament but hasn't figured out a way to solve the problem discretely. Fortunately, it solved itself seconds later as the paper fell off.

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ONE BY ONE . . . Death well swallows 8 teen girls!

By Tanya Brooks *Correspondent*

Eight teenage girls died tragically after they climbed into a well to retrieve a lost wallet — and were electrocuted one by one by an exposed pump wire.

"Apparently each one thought the ones in the well were playing a trick on her and went down to see what her friends were doing," said Peter Kardza, a police inspector in Novi Sad, Yugoslavia, where the multiple deaths occurred.

"It was so dark in the bottom of the well that there was no way to see from above what was going on.

"The girls climbed down a metal ladder on the side of the stone well and when they hit the second rung from the bottom they were zapped with 5,000 volts of electricity.

TEENAGER Pedro Miranda — on the way to the

SECONDS later he [illegible] was electrocuted

"They were dead in seconds," Kardza said. "But the girls died quickly with souls and just fell in a heap on top of each other."

Kardza says the November 21 accident came about after the girls stopped to take money in the well for good luck. One of the eight is said to be Sonja Pedro Miranda dropped her wallet into the well and dared one to go down after it. When she did not reappear and did not answer her friends' calls, the best friend ran home crying and told her parents what had happened.

The other six bereaved girls in the group followed one by one, as the parents say. "It appears that the girls died quickly with [illegible] was like a relief."

Kardza said, "So their friends above had no idea what was happening. The exposed pump wire carried such a jolt that they didn't have a chance."

"The girls' families started calling us when they didn't come home that evening and we followed their tracks to the well. We shined a flashlight down there and saw the bodies. So we knew something was terribly wrong at the bottom."

"That's the only reason our officer didn't suffer the same fate the girls did."

Families of the dead girls have planned a memorial service at which all the teenagers will be honored, Kardza said.

They will be buried side by side in the city cemetery.

70-year-old volunteers for college nudie pic!

A girlie magazine photographer got the shock of his life when he invited college coeds to pose naked for a layout — and a shuddering 70-year-old lady showed up at his first session!

The photog was at the University of Illinois working on a picture spread when the go-get-'ems gravely phoned and scheduled a photo session.

It turned out the oldster was a student at the school, but after taking one look at her faltering physique, the photographer tactfully informed her she wasn't quite what he was looking for.

THIEVES USE SEXY POOCH TO DISTRACT GUARD DOG!

Thieves knocking over a gas station in Wilmington, N.C., came up with a devi-

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pennies, several rings and a grinder, but left behind their accomplice — a seductive-

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Drug dealers call pistol-packin' padre 'the Holy Terror'

By HUGH CASTLES / Special correspondent

Colombian cocaine kingpins have put a $1 million bounty on the head of a gun-slingin' Catholic priest who has cost their business a fortune by hijacking supply trains, blowing up drug factories and freeing slave-workers.

Known by locals as "Padre Muerte" or Father Death, the priest cost the cocaine barons an estimated $30 million in profits the past year, said Col. Jorge Ramerez, leader of an anti-drug squad with the Colombian Army.

Incredibly, Father Death is such a slick shot, he's never had to kill. Wearing a mask and cape like TV hero Zorro and riding a coal-black horse, he single-handedly hijacks drug caravans and disarms guards by shooting the weapons out of their hands with his twin pearl-handled .45 automatics.

His grim figure and skill with a gun strikes fear in the hearts of drug operators in the mountainous area around the town of La Plata.

"Already, he's ambushed four deliveries that we know about, and last March he blew up a major jungle cocaine factory, liberating more than 30 slave-workers," said Col. Ramerez.

"Drug dealers call him 'the Holy Terror.' We believe he is a local priest, but no one knows his identity for sure." Not only have the drug barons in the southern part of the country posted a $1 million bounty for the sharpshooting man of God, they've also started a public relations campaign against him.

They claim the priest's anti-drug crusade is plunging the people into poverty.

"This man is a menace to the peace and prosperity of our country," said Raul Mendez, a spokesman for the syndicate of drug kingpins. "Our country is poor and our people are starving. Our business employs thousands of peasants, putting rice and beans on the table for their families to eat. But this fanatic priest is threatening the livelihood of these poor people. His work is counterproductive."

FATHER DEATH wears a mask and cape just like the screen hero Zorro.

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THE PHANTOM

By [illegible] / Correspondent

Country music superstar Patsy Cline died in a plane crash nearly 30 years ago, but Patsy's grinning ghost still prowls the stage of the Grand Ole Opry — and even belts out songs for her flabbergasted fans!

"I saw Patsy, no doubt about it — standing up there singing *I Fall to Pieces*, just like she'd never left us," said staggered Annie Fulton, 50.

"Her voice was so real, so beautiful, it was hard to believe she was just a ghost. But as soon as I tried to get a little closer, the singing stopped and she just vanished into thin air.

"The whole thing sent goose bumps down my spine."

The Vicksburg, Miss., mom is one of dozens of dumbstruck tourists and country music insiders who've spotted Patsy's hankful apparition haunting Nashville's old Ryman Auditorium, home of the Grand Ole Opry from 1943 to 1974.

Flamboyant Patsy played to packed houses at the Ryman from 1960 till she died in a plane crash in 1963 at the age of 31.

The Opry has moved to larger quarters now and the Ryman stands silent.

Still, 100,000 fans flock to the auditorium each year to stare in awe at the stage where greats like Kitty Wells, Hank Williams and Ernest Tubb made music for so many years.

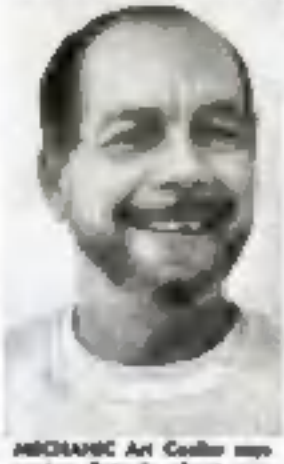
And more than a few swear Patsy Cline's still making sweet music there.

"Fans are always saying they saw that little gal hanging out at the Ryman, and I'm here to tell you it's true — 'cause I've seen her myself," insisted a mystified Music City bigwig.

"She was standing back in the wings in one of those fancy buckskin dresses of hers, just leaning against the wall like she was waiting to go onstage.

Country music shrine ghost of Patsy Cline,

Patsy Cline



MECHANIC Art Coulter says seeing Patsy's ghost was spooky. "I thought for a second I was going crazy."

'Her voice was so real, so beautiful — then she vanished into thin air'

It was like seeing an old friend I hadn't seen in years and I wanted to walk up and say 'hi' to her.

"But suddenly she flashed me that big old Patsy Cline smile and just faded away.

"I don't know much about

"I SAW Patsy, no doubt about it," says housewife Annie Fulton. "The whole thing sent goose bumps down my spine."

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ghosts but I guess if Patsy's ghost was going to be anywhere, it'd be right there, because she had some of the happiest times of her life there.

"But just seeing her after so many years is gonna be pretty eerie for anybody."

And for Minneapolis mechanic Art Chotter, the experience was particularly spooky.

"Patsy's my all-time favorite singer, and I was standing there in the Ryman with my wife and kids telling them about how I came to Nashville and saw her in '61," the baffled dad recalled.

"And all of a sudden, I swear there she was, right back up on that stage singing *Walkin' After Midnight*, just like she did 31 years ago.

"I thought for a second I was going crazy but I could tell by the look on my family's faces that they were seeing and hearing her, too.

"My daughter is 21 and she started accusing me of playing some kind of trick on them. But I said, 'Honey, don't blame me. I think Patsy's playing a little trick on all of us.'"

SUPERSTAR Patsy Cline played to packed houses in Nashville's old Ryman Auditorium from 1960 till she died in a plane crash in 1963. Today, her ghost haunts the historic building, home of the Grand Ole Opry from 1943 to 1974 and a popular attraction for lovers of country music.

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